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Teachers believe public supports strike action

by Ariel White

After five days of walking the picket line, Haliburton County teachers are confident that they have public support for their strike. According to Chris Lynd, president of the Haliburton Women's Teachers Federation, the teachers are just beginning to pick up momentum.

Teachers in Minden set up their picket line at the corner of South Water Street and Bobcaygeon Road this week to hand out yellow ribbons for anyone who wished to support their strike.

"Our teachers are resolved," said Lynd. "They gather steam as the week goes on, quite frankly. The more communication we have with people the more public support we receive." Lynd feels that public support of the teachers strike can only grow with time.

This may be in part due to the public blessing of several unions and organizations. The United Food and Commercial Workers, the Superannuated Teachers of Ontario (who have 500 members in Victoria and Haliburton counties), the Alliance for Public Accountability as well as CUPE have stated that they advocate what the teachers are doing and have urged their members to take political action.

Lynd feels that these organizations are concerned not only about the quality of education in the province but also the political environment in general. "I think these groups are also concerned that the bill deals with the level of democracy in this province," said Lynd. "They are supporting us but they are also looking out for the rest of the province."

According to the Haliburton County Board of Education, only two teachers reported for work this week. In Victoria County, 34 elementary school teachers reported for work on October 28. Chris Lynd was happy

that on Wednesday the Haliburton board had followed Victoria's lead and closed the school to students. The Haliburton board met on Tuesday evening and made the decision to close the schools to students as they could not operate the schools safely in the absence of principals and vice principals, who joined the teachers on the picket line on Wednesday morning. "We were pleased that happened. It is forcing the government to

look at Bill 160," said Lynd.

On Thursday October 30, Eileen Lennon, president of the Ontario Teachers Federation sent a letter to the education minister with an invitation to meet that evening. Minister David Johnson declined the offer. The provincial government is seeking an injunction to force teachers back to work, but nothing had been resolved by the weekend.



Teachers took their protest to downtown Minden this week attracting cheers and some jeers from passers-by. Many motorists honked in support as the teachers waved their signs to the morning traffic. Others ignored the protest or indicated their disapproval of the protest with a variety of finger gestures. The protesters were generally pleased with the support they received from the community.

Blaze leaves Halls Lake family homeless

by Carol Moffatt

A Stanhope couple is lucky to be alive after escaping a spectacular fire that ripped through their home last week, killing the family dog and razing the house.

Mike and Becky Durkin fled their burning Halls Lake home barefoot in the early, freezing hours of October 26 after Becky awoke to strange noises around 2 a.m.

"I heard something. I don't know whether it was the smoke detector or what. I woke Mike up and told

him that something wasn't right," said Becky.

Mike got out of bed and when he felt the bedroom door he realized there was a fire.

"When I came out of the bedroom it was all smoky and I could see an orange glow through the (heating) grate (to upstairs). Becky had a housecoat on and I was naked. We went out different doors, met out front and tried to remember where the fire extinguishers were. I said to go get help and Becky went to get Brad from Lorelea," said Mike, referring to Lorelea Country Inn owner Brad Thorn who is a volunteer with the

Stanhope Fire Department.

Mike went back into the burning building to retrieve a drawer of important papers and then tried in vain to douse the flames, first with a bucket of water and then with a garden hose.

That proved futile, and, realizing how cold it was, he crawled in the front door of the house for a pair of shoes, found a pair of coveralls in the garage and drove his motorcycle to alert neighbours to call the fire department.

"I parked the bike, ran back and drove the snowmobiles out of the garage," said Mike.

When Brad Thorn arrived he asked Mike if anyone else was in the house. Mike said he suddenly realized that he wasn't sure if his youngest son, Adam, had stayed over at a friend's house as planned.

"We threw a couple of blocks of wood through his bedroom window and black smoke poured out," Mike recalled. Fortunately, someone quickly confirmed that Adam wasn't in the house.

"I ran around to the front of the house, moved the truck away from the house and then watched it burn down," he said.

The fire spread extremely quickly through the wooden structure and the house was fully engulfed in flames when Stanhope firefighters arrived a few moments later. They could do nothing but ensure the fire didn't spread.

"Everything you've ever worked for, for the last 25 years, is all gone. You put your heart and soul into (a



The Durkin family home at Halls Lake was completely destroyed by a 2 a.m. fire

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McCumber, Johnson vie for North Victoria education seat

Two candidates are seeking the single seat in north Victoria County on the newly expanded Board of Education. Rick Johnson and Don McCumber want to represent the residents of the municipalities of Laxton, Digby and Longford; Somerville; Bexley; Bobcaygeon; and Verulam on the new board.

Johnson, who lives in Pontypool, south of Lindsay, says his interest in the new board comes from his involvement in his Local Education Improvement Committee. He also has two young children in the school system and he wants to ensure the equitable funding promised by the provincial government will make it into the classroom. He is the chair of the advisory council at his children's school.

Johnson is a children's entertainer who has received the Victoria County Award of Merit for a children's song he wrote and performed with the children of Grandview School. "I get to a lot of schools in my travels and have seen the disparity between boards and schools," he said. "Hopefully with the equalized funding all schools will have a better opportunity to serve their students."

"I am making a long-term commitment," he said. "I am the only candidate with children in the elementary school system."

He sees his role as trustee as a liaison between the parents and schools and the province. "Trustees will be more like an Ombudsman," he added.

Commenting on the current teachers' strike,

Bexley gets \$70,000 Infrastructure funding

Bexley Township will be getting a facelift thanks to funding from both the provincial and federal governments. Under the Canada/Ontario Infrastructure Works program almost \$70,000 will be spent repairing and resurfacing the roads in Coboconk, Victoria Road and Bexley.

The announcement was made on October 23 by MP for Victoria-Haliburton John O'Reilly, Minister of Northern Development and Mines Chris Hodgson and Bexley Reeve Fred Brecht.

The majority of the money will be used to resurface River, Shedden, Nipissing and Albert streets in Coboconk, Mountain Road in Bexley and Richmond Street in the Hamlet of Victoria Road. The remainder of the funding will be used to reconstruct the sidewalks of Albert and Water streets in Coboconk. The construction to the roads and sidewalks will be completed in December.

"These roads and walkways will be made safer thanks to the Canada/Ontario Infrastructure Works program," said Bexley Reeve Fred Brecht. Brecht also stated that with the reconstruction, these roads will no longer have to be

treated with the dust suppressant calcium chloride.

According to Bexley Township Clerk Helen Russell, neither projects could have been instigated without the government funding. The Canada/Ontario Infrastructure Works program joins federal, provincial and municipal funding together to improve Ontario's infrastructure. Over \$2.8 billion has been spent in the hope that an improved infrastructure will bring economic development to Ontario communities.

Johnson said he hoped the union leaders and the government officials are as passionate about the position they hold as the teachers, because, if they aren't, when it is all over, "...there is going to be some very disillusioned teachers out there."

Don McCumber, a resident of Norland, is a veteran municipal politician who has served for seven years as a member of Emily Township Council and 10 years as reeve. He has also been a warden of Victoria County. An instructor in adult education at Sir Sandford Fleming College in Lindsay he has also served on the Ontario Volunteer Management Board. "I believe I have something to offer as a trustee," he commented.

He has been working with school councils assisting in the training and recruitment of volunteers.

McCumber thinks the schools should be open for adult learners and general interest courses for adults and seniors. "We have to make use of these facilities," he commented.

McCumber believes in teacher evaluations, both by administration and students.

"We must be willing to compromise in difficult situations," he concluded. "I believe in change and reform as long as the youth of today can be properly educated and integrated into a competitive world. When walls go up, there has to be a way to compromise or the students suffer, and that is, after all, who we are here for."

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Minden's Citizen of the year Pat Campbell (centre) received her award at the Rotary Club dinner October 27, from President Tara Lowe (left) and Vice President Ethel Muli.

Pat Campbell chosen Minden Rotary Club's Citizen of the Year

by Ariel White

Pat Campbell had fully intended to lecture on Pritchard House at the Rotary Club of Minden's dinner meeting last Monday evening, but the club had other plans for her. Campbell was chosen as the Rotary Club's 1997 Minden Citizen of the year.

The founder of Campbell's Flower Shop had no idea that she would be chosen as this year's citizen. She had actually helped make her own corsage at the flower shop earlier that day. "Well it was really quite a shock to tell you the truth. I had no idea," said Campbell. "In fact Anne (Neave, her daughter and co-operator of the shop) made the corsage and said 'what kind of ribbon would you put on that if you were me?' I said 'soft green goes with everything.' That's how much I knew!"

The presentation was made by Rotary President Tara Lowe and Vice President Ethel Muli. As Muli spoke of the many reasons the Rotary Club had chosen

Pat Campbell as the Citizen of the Year, Campbell blushed a bright shade of red and said, "How do you know so much about me anyway?"

Although Campbell is shy about her work with the community, she has a long list of achievements as both a business woman and active member of various community organizations to be proud of. She started the garden centre in 1964 by selling a few plants from the picnic table in her backyard.

Today the busy shop is filled with cut flowers, box plants as well as many gift items. Her creative talent is not solely devoted to floral design however, as many of her hours are spent working with numerous clubs and committees.

Campbell is one of the organizing members of the Minden Home and Garden Tour and is also a founding member of the Minden Horticultural Society. She is part of the organizing committee for the Annual Terry Fox Run and assists with fundraising for Toronto's

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Family pet perishes in house fire

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house) and it had taken us ten years (of renovations) to get it how we wanted it. Sure, you can rebuild, but the house we had is the one we wanted," said Mike.

The couple says things they will truly miss are family heirloom items like the authentic Chinese tapestry or the Westminster chimes clock they had received from Mike's grandmother. Becky lost her wedding rings and personal jewellery in the blaze.

"How do you put a value on that stuff? It doesn't matter what it was worth because we can't get it back," said Mike.

The cause of the fire has not yet been determined. Mike says he esti-

mates the house and contents were worth \$225,000.

The family is sorting out their emotions and their affairs from a cottage at Lorelea County Inn that is being provided by owners Brad and Paula Thorn. The phone hasn't stopped ringing with calls from friends and neighbours offering food, clothes, equipment, labour and just about anything else you can think of.

"There's been a constant flow of people with boxes of food and bags of clothes," said Mike, adding that one man, a neighbourhood acquaintance, has provided one month's rent for the cottage at Lorelea.

"The day after the fire, with all these people of-

fering help, Jeremy (his son) said 'it sure is great to live in a community like this.' People ask if we'll move away or rebuild, but how could you move away from a community like this?" said Mike.

A benefit dance for the family will take place at the Stanhope Community Hall on Saturday, November 22 at 9 p.m. The township has waived the rental fee for the hall, and organizers are asking local businesses to donate food items toward the dance lunch. Tickets for the dance are available around the community on an "admission by donation" basis.

Anyone who wants to help the family can call Paula Thorn at 489-2048. Donations are being ac-

cepted at Lorelea and the Stanhope Township office on North Shore Road.

"From here it's just one day at a time," said Mike.

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The Haliburton Search and Rescue Team joined forces with the Search and Rescue Team of China at an international conference in Sault Ste. Marie last month. At the conference, Haliburton's Jim Chatterton was elected director of search and rescue for central Ontario.

Haliburton County Search and Rescue Team competes at The Soo

The Haliburton County Search and Rescue team ventured north to Sault Ste. Marie on October 14, where they participated in an international search and rescue conference. While at the conference, Haliburton President Jim Chatterton was elected the director of the Central Ontario region. Chatterton will join forces with five other directors that coordinate the 28 search and rescue teams across Ontario.

The Haliburton team travelled to Nova Scotia for last year's conference where they befriended the Search and Rescue team of China. Both teams had a chance to reunite this year and according to team

member Kathy Chatterton a great time was had by all. "We have developed a friendship with the team from China. That is if you can have a friendship when you don't speak the same language. They are absolutely wonderful," said Chatterton. At the end of the conference, the Chinese team presented the Haliburton group with two rescue flags, signed by their commander.

The Haliburton County Search and rescue team has already planned to attend next years conference which will be held in Banff Alberta. Each member of the team pays to go to each of these conferences out of his or her own pocket.

Recipient an active community volunteer

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Hospital for Sick Children. She is a very active member of the St. Paul's Church and she has been working with the Sunday School for 20 years.

Campbell also enjoys figure skating as an executive member and volunteer with the Minden Figure Skating Club. Her creative talents are employed in her work as a member of the Rail's End Gallery in Haliburton, The Agnes Jameison Gallery in Minden, as a 20 year member of the Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers and Spinners Group and most recently as the co-ordinator of Pritchard House in Minden. When she was asked what she would like to do in the future Campbell replied, "I want to retire and lay back and do my thing. I have been involved in a lot of things and I am proud of it all."

After the presentation, Campbell went ahead with her speech on Pritchard House. She explained how it fell into the hands of the Haliburton Highlands Hand

Weavers and Spinners and what kind of things the organization does. Campbell handed out several examples of work done by the group including a hand made basket, woven coasters and some hand spun wool. She also announced that a project

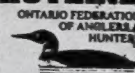
is in the works to recreate the Haliburton Tartan.

Campbell received a plaque from the Rotary Club honouring her achievements in the community. As well, a \$200 donation will be made by the Rotary Club in Pat Campbell's name to the

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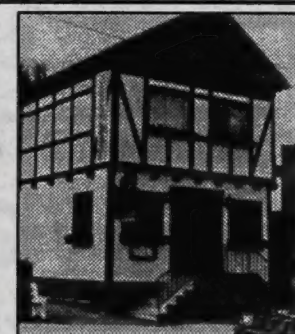
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Students feel their needs are being overlooked

(We asked student reporter Jamie Read to find out how her fellow students at HHSS feel about the strike. This is her report.)

by Jamie Read, Student Reporter

Across Ontario for the past week, the big talk has been the infamous province-wide strike that most Ontario teachers began last Monday.

We hear about it on television, on the radio, read in the newspapers, and for many, have seen it first hand when they drive by Haliburton High School early in the morning. One can't help but notice the dozens of teachers picketing against Bill 160, the Education Quality Improvement Act, in front of the school. Where the government wants one thing, the teachers want the complete opposite.

Between the confrontation of Ontario teachers and the government, many have forgotten one large group of people who are being affected the most and whose voices and opinions have been virtually ignored: the students.

Ontario's 2.1 million students, who are helpless in this situation, have absolutely no say in what deals will be made, if any. Students have no choice but to sit quietly on the sidelines of this dispute and wait.

Some teens are happy they have a "free vacation" and enjoy their time off from early mornings and homework, but for many, this is not a vacation, but it is a burden and a source of boredom. Many say they live too far from town or friends and have nothing to do but sit and wait.

One question that troubles some students; if the teachers care about our futures so greatly, have they thought of how this strike is affecting our futures? The possibility of the strike continuing for much longer could jeopardize students' near futures greatly, especially students who are completing their last year of high school and hope to go on to College or University.

Jodi Reid, who is in her last year of high school and is currently completing four OAC courses says, "Right now I have difficult OAC courses. If the strike continues, the school will have to cut P.A days and also cut the examination period. If they do this, for someone in a situation like me, I will be cramming to study because I will have less time to do so. For all graduating students, this is the year that we really have to work hard to get the good grades in order to go to the colleges or universities that we choose. We need the school time so we won't be cramming. But despite the difficulty we may face, I support the teachers in their cause."

Jess Cowen, a grade 12 student, who is also in her last year says, "I support both sides of the dispute. I can understand what Mike Harris is trying to do for the better but I can also agree with what the teachers are debating and that they want a better education system for us. They both have very good ideas and points and they also both have unreasonable points. I really am enjoying my time off; I just don't want to lose my credits if the strike continues too long."

With the chance of the strike continuing, it means that P.A days will be cut, possibly vacation periods, and examination time will be reduced. Like Jodi Reid said, this affects all students and their grades. What worries the students the most is the chance that they may have to start this semester all over again, and many feel that they have worked too hard already to start all over again.

Jason Maybee, a student who attends high school in Oshawa, strongly agrees and supports the government's side of the dispute.

"This strike did not have to take place. They could have gone about this in another way that didn't have to affect so many people, students, parents, etc. The fact that teachers are striking illegally is bad enough. They're wasting time and also taxpayers' money in the process. The government is right, we need more one on

one teaching between students and teachers and we need to reduce the budget."

On the argument of more one on one teaching, most students agree that it is needed. The bigger the class, the less time the teacher can spend with each student. This affects each and every individual grade.

"Teachers have to have their rights. They are the ones in the classroom teaching us. They see what goes on with the kids. How can the government know what is best for us if they are in Toronto and the teachers see us and know what happens everyday. I don't think that it's right that the government wants to change our schools. What they are proposing is not normal," says Meghan Cox, a grade 12 student who supports the teachers.

"If the government gets a hold on small schools like ours in Haliburton, we'll be the ones that will lose out. They pay less attention to the smaller schools like us and more to the bigger schools. I have to admit though that the government has some very good ideas on the standards. We need a standard curriculum where all the high schools across Ontario are doing the same things in class, where the teachers are teaching the same thing. The way the curriculum is right now, it's frustrating and hard to keep up sometimes. Some teachers have low standards for their students, others have very high standards, which is the way it should be," says Ryan Lindsey, a grade 12 student in his last year of high school. "I want to go back to school, but I also want the teachers and the government to come to a reasonable agreement that is positive for both the students and the teachers."

As far as the boredom factor goes, some students disagree. "I like the time off right now, I really don't want to go back any time soon," says Christina Cox, a grade 12 student. As far as fellow grade 12 student Joe Fomenko is concerned, he feels otherwise.

"I'm bored, I wish they would come to an agreement soon. I want to go back to school!"

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Dan Stiver: Firefighter of the Year in City of York

by Carol Moffatt

A full-time firefighter who lives in Carnarvon has been chosen the Firefighter of the Year in the City of York.

Dan Stiver, 32, who was born and raised in Stanhope, has been a professional firefighter with the City of York for six years. Locally, he is the owner/operator of Stiver Electric and is an 18-year member of the Stanhope Volunteer Fire Department, where he is now a Captain.

The award was handed out earlier this month at a fire department retirement banquet attended by over 300 people. Stiver was taken by complete surprise when he was announced the winner.

"We were kind of listening to the speech, but it was noisy and we couldn't hear very well and then they suddenly announced my name. I had no idea whatsoever. Everyone else knew (about the award) except me," said Stiver.

"He was so overwhelmed," said Natalie Stammers who was with Stiver when he won. "He was shaking when he went up to get the plaque," she said.

The 24-inch tall copper plaque features a three-dimensional firefighter carrying a small child away from a fire.

"I figured it would be a little

plaque, you know the kind, but this is really something." Stiver said of the award.

Stiver was nominated for the award by his captain, Doug Harper, who says he had no problem identifying Stiver as a team member who met all the criteria: exemplary performance in six specific areas -- professional conduct, leadership and competency, enhancement of the fire department image, self-improvement and outstanding contribution to the department.

"Danny has tremendous dedication. He's a really good firefighter, and he is doing his job over and above what's expected of him," said Harper in a telephone interview.

In his glowing letter of nomination, Harper wrote that Stiver "can continually be counted on in emergency situations, never backing down when that extra mile is required."

"His medical aid skills are superb and he always shows great respect and compassion for patients," wrote Harper.

He called Stiver's apparatus driver skills "second to none" and pointed out that Stiver is "an aggressive driver (who) never over-steps the parameters of safety, has never had an accident, and knows the truck he drives as

if he personally owns it."

Harper said that co-workers, regardless of age or rank, often consult Stiver about fire-related issues.

"Even though he only has six years of service Dan handles himself with the experience, maturity and attitude of a firefighter with 20 years plus of service," he wrote.

Nominees for the annual award are reviewed by a board consisting of the department training officer, two platoon chiefs and a member of the firefighters' association. The board considers each nominee's personnel file, past performance, yearly formal interview remarks and the letter of nomination. Stiver was chosen the recipient over three other nominees.

Those who know Stiver locally are familiar with his zest for life and the antics that often find him the centre of attention -- and sometimes controversy. But so is Harper.

"I know Danny. I've seen his goofy side but when it comes to the job he's very serious. He's not a practical joker around here and he gets a lot of respect from his peers and from his officers. His opinions are something I trust. I don't even take a second look with him, that's how much faith I



Dan Stiver with the award presented last month.

have in the guy," says Harper, who works side by side with Stiver on every shift.

"A lot of guys who have received this award have gone on to become officers. This will definitely be a bonus for him," said Harper.

Stiver says he picked the fire service as a career and will continue to work toward promotion,

including writing his Captain's exams when he's eligible.

"I'm overwhelmed about (the award). It's not something you work for, so I'm really honoured," he said.

Bob Pollard, Chief of the Stanhope Fire Department calls Stiver a credit to the local department.

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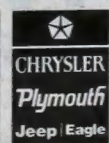


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Editorial Letters

Good "horse traders" needed for next term

Elections. Some people hate them. Others regard them as an annoyance or treat them as they would a trip to the dump -- unpleasant, but necessary.

Voter apathy seems to be prevalent during the 1997 municipal elections, if turnout at the advance polls in Minden is any indication. They experienced about half the numbers as the previous municipal election.

Is that an indication that the municipality's ratepayers are happy with the direction local politics is taking, or

do the voters feel a sense of hopelessness in the face of change that is being forced upon us?

The 1997 municipal election is more important than any we've had in decades. The people who are elected for the coming term are the ones who will shape our future. They will be our negotiators. Like the horse traders of old, their ability to bargain will determine whether we get a sleek, healthy steed or a sway-back nag.

There are no more gift horses.

Our "horse traders" for the coming term will be obliged to "look into the horse's mouth" to make sure we get what we bargained for.

If you let someone else choose your negotiators, you may be forced to ride off into the sunset on a less than ideal mount.

So, on November 10, exercise your right to vote. And remember, you owe it to yourself to make an informed decision.

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Bill is unfair to teachers and students

Editor:

The following is a copy of a letter delivered to the office of the Minister of Mines and Northern Development, Chris Hodgson, M.P.P. on Thursday, October 30.

Throughout this week, Haliburton teachers are visiting your Lindsay office as we engage in a Provincial Political Protest and for most, their first act of civil disobedience. Today, forty-five teachers travelled from Haliburton County to express their disapproval of the contents of Bill 160 and the misleading information concerning the Bill that the Conservative government is feeding to the public through your press releases and \$1.3 million advertisements.

We do not feel that the Bill is fair to our profession or students and will give Cabinet sweeping powers to make any changes without consultation or a fair voting procedure. We believe that the power to make regulations which is embedded in Bill 160 must be removed. If your government wants to discuss issues such as prep time and class size put them up front, in the Bill. Show the integrity that the public expects and deserves.

It is our fear that in the larger scheme you plan to privatize the education system. At a rally in Lindsay, we listened to a teacher who had moved to Canada from Britain for that very reason. The public school system had been demoralized by privatization. The best educators had moved over to private schools and the families with ability followed. The public school system was left to flounder without the moral or financial

support of government. Is this your personal intention?

You must realize that the teachers of Haliburton County want to return to their classes, however they do not want to be forced by an injunction that, by its very nature, dismisses their concerns and bullies them into your government's agenda. We are not unaware of Premier Harris' concerns around Reform Party supporters in Ontario and his need to appear "tough". We are not unaware of your party's desire to demoralize, divide and reduce the power

of the people who stand up for social justice. We are not unaware of the Neo Cons whose desire it is to ram through all that is possible to lessen the regulations that constrict the business element of this province. We want fair discussions with everything on the table, not half of your intentions hidden in the language of regulations.

On Behalf of Haliburton County Teachers
Chris Lynd, FWTAO
David Kennedy, OPSTF
Ann Varty, OSSTF

Homemaker services must not die

Editor:

According to a letter I received, my son and I will lose our Red Cross Homemaker January 1, 1998. The Red Cross Homemaker Service will have to close down because of pay equity forcing them to increase wages by 4.5%, which they cannot because of their financial situation.

As a non-profit organization, the Red Cross should never have been subject to the pay equity law, as if it was a prosperous company. The Red Cross Homemaker service has been in operation for many years and its employees are well-trained, professional and dedicated individuals, who look after their clients extremely well. In my own case, I've had my present Red Cross Homemaker for a few years, both for my disabled son and for myself as well. She is a very hard working and dedicated homemaker in everything she

does for us.

The Red Cross Homemaker services deserve a chance to be on an equal basis with other Homemaker agencies when bidding for contracts. The pay equity law must be amended immediately, without further delay so the Red Cross Homemaker service will have an equal chance to compete. It should be a simple matter to amend the pay equity law as soon as possible in 1997. It's the government's job to see that this is given top priority.

The Red Cross Homemaker service must not die. Thousands of Red Cross Homemakers anxiously await this amendment. I support the Red Cross Homemaker service 100 percent. Their training, qualifications and service are second to none.

Nell Miscio and Ken Rowden,
Minden.

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Rating the provincial government

Editor:

As a registered card-carrying Conservative how do I measure or rate the Harris Government? It is hard to find some scale on which to make the measurement. Temperature: you have a thermometer, distance: an odometer, so how do you do it. The only way to make such a rating is to look at what the Harris Government has done for you. Right, so let's take stock.

I am a retired police officer from the Minden detachment. What has happened there? The police service has been downgraded to a satellite detachment. Because of downgrading the service has suffered tremendously. Two of my friends, civilian members, lost their positions there. This

The best education possible

Editor:

As a parent with a child entering the school system next year, I want to be sure that she will receive the best education possible. I know all parents want this.

As a teacher, I know that if Bill 160 is passed, children will not get the education they deserve. Teachers are a dedicated

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hurts.

The province's Health Service has been downgraded so, my eldest daughter, a Registered Nurse, couldn't find a full time job in the province. She took her family including my two grandsons to North Carolina. This hurts.

The Harris Government wants to introduce legislation to downgrade the education system. It is a downgrade when part of that legislation wants to introduce non-

Anarchy

Editor:

I see by your editorial in the October 27th edition (principles worth fighting for) that I (and many, many others) who are opposed to the teachers' illegal strike, are to be considered as thoughtless persons.

We thoughtless people were not so considered when we voted for Mike Harris and his party to govern this Province, and fully intend to do the same at the next election.

I find it hard to believe that really thoughtful people are in favour of law breaking. If every self interest group who objected to a law enacted by the government took the course of action as that taken by the teachers and their union, would not that, by definition, be anarchy? Surely you are not in favour of that.

Geoff G. Robinson,
Minden

professionals into the classroom. My young daughter and her husband are teachers both possibly in danger of being replaced by these none professionals. They are talking about the possibility of teaching in Central America as an alternative. That hurts.

So that is how the Harris Government has served me. It may appear to be a selfish view, but how else do I make the measurement? As far as I am concerned there is no scale that goes low enough to make such a rating.

Find enclosed my Conservative membership card. Please shred and burn.

Al Bibby,
Minden.

Distorted statistics and lies

Editor:

In response to a letter in the October 27 edition:

I too, have grave concerns about the long term effects a teachers' strike will have on the students of Ontario. I also have grave concerns about the long-term effects that Bill 160 will have on their education. I have even deeper concerns about a government that is allowed to deceive the people it is supposed to represent, with half-truths, distorted statistics and outright lies. I can cite numerous examples of that disturbing

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Beware the panda dining-out

I hate to cook.

I really hate doing dishes.

You'd think those two aversions would make me a dedicated restaurant fancier, but nope.

I hate restaurants too.

Well, I don't hate them exactly. It's just that for me, the dining out experience usually makes me wish I'd stayed home with a peanut butter and jam sandwich watching Madame Benoit and taking notes.

First you have the restaurant names. Do they have to be so pretentious? A name like Swiss Chalet conjures up visions of Heidi-style milkmaid/waitresses decked out in dirndls and pigtailed, backed up by bearded guys in leather shorts blowing into 20-foot horns. But what do you get at Swiss Chalet? A joint that serves passable chicken in a basket in an atmosphere redolent of an airport terminal.

It's not just the Swiss. There are Italian 'Trattorias' and Greek 'Tabernas' and French 'Cafes' and Spanish 'Casas' — or the very worst — places that go by the name of the guy who owns them. Salvatore's. Chez Pierre-Luc.

Bleh. I'm still looking for the place with the winking neon sign that says MEAT AND POTATOES.

Then there is the waiter problem. I had just sat down at a table in a steakhouse the other night when a guy in a white shirt comes up, sits down across from me and,

with a big smile says "Hi, my name is Andy and I'll be your server tonight."

Well, hi Andy. My name's Arthur but you can call me Artie baby. And this is Sonya. She's a belly dancer from Latvia but she's got a Ph.D. in Neurosurgery. I'm in the international diamond business myself which means I'm licensed to carry a firearm in public. As a matter of fact I've got a .44 Colt Python under the table aimed at your groin even as we speak. Now do you think you could bring us a couple of menus, Andy old pal?

That's what I wish I'd said. Being Canadian I just mumbled something incoherent and played with my water glass. But it put me off my feed.

Which brings us to the bill. How the hell are you supposed to calculate a 15 per cent tip of a sum while making sure the greedhead government doesn't get any more than the 15 per cent it's already skimmed off the top? If I wanted to spend the evening doing math I'd have stayed home and worked on my income tax return.

Still, we've got it easy here in Canada. If I ever get to Hungary there's a restaurant in Budapest that I intend to avoid.

It's called the Dreher Halaszcsarda. A couple of Danish tourists decided to take their dates there one evening. After a so-so dinner and a couple of drinks, they called for the bill.

The waiter gave it to them. When they broke it down it came to:

- Four steak dinners: \$1,279
- Four cognacs \$460
- Round of drinks for musical trio \$4,448

With taxes, the total came to \$8,300 — and ahem, that would be in US dollars, of course.

"Those are our night prices" the restaurant manager asserted breezily. He explained that the Dreher Halaszcsarda has a policy of multiplying listed prices by a factor of 10 after 7 p.m.

Especially, one suspects, when the customers happen to be gullible-looking tourists.

Reminds me of the story about a Giant Panda walking into a restaurant. He orders a huge five-course meal, scoffs it all down and calls for the cheque. The waiter brings the cheque, at which point the Giant Panda hauls out a handgun and shoots the waiter.

As the Giant Panda saunters out the door the maitre'd rushes up and says "What did you do that for?" The Panda says "Hey man — I'm a Panda. Look it up."

The Panda leaves the restaurant. The maitre'd calls for an encyclopedia and searches under "P".

When he gets to "Panda" he finds: "A large furry Asian mammal that eats shoots and leaves."

Etcetera

Arthur Black

More letters to the editor

Editor:

Thanks to Bill 160, I have had time to do some serious thinking on the picket line. Carrying a protest sign gives one time to mentally house clean.

With each pace, each conversation, I have looked at myself. One week a rule-conscious classroom teacher, the next week a social rebel. Why am I willing to challenge the elected government of Ontario? Am I simply a union pawn, willing to serve the wants of a few powerful leaders? I think not. The teachers' federations in Haliburton are my support and, to some extent, my extended family. I owe them the respect and commitment they have requested.

Inter-connectedness has been a key theme in my career as a biology teacher.

Want the best

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group of people who work hard and care about their students. Anyone who has gone into the classroom as a volunteer or parent helper knows this to be true.

The decision of teachers to be part of this political protest has not been an easy one. We know that many people are affected negatively. Parents have to find child care placement for their children, merchants have fewer sales during job actions, and personal relationships are affected due to differing attitudes in their households, to name a few. However, do we stay on our jobs and let the Harris government implement a bill that will have a negative impact on educating our children, or do we protest?

I strongly believe this bill will be detrimental to the students, and this is why I am participating in the political protest.

Laurie Marks-O'Sullivan,
Teacher at Archie Stouffer Elementary School

Absolutely right

Editor:

The people have seen through the teachers.

They realize that teachers have no interest in actually educating anyone in a proper manner or maintaining any sort of professional status. All they really want to do is get a few extra days off. If that means getting up on time to be on the protest line by 7:00 a.m. so be it.

Luckily for the teachers none of them have children, therefore it is difficult for them to empathize with what the parents are going through in trying to find placement for their kids. The nerve of teachers for attempting to defy the government-implemented legislation. It's people with attitudes like this who ruined the whole Warsaw Pact and probably caused the American Revolution.

Let's stamp out the protest now. After all, we elected this government. They must be absolutely right?

Tim O'Sullivan,
Minden.

Like a journey through a forest

My niche in the web, at this point in time, is with my peers, who have been and will continue to be part of a most excellent adventure - the education of Haliburton County's youth.

I liken this educational adventure to a journey through the forest. Looking back, the path was clear. We knew

Who is right?

Editor:

In response to David Ferguson's October 28th letter: To admit to not knowing who's "Right" in the Ontario teachers' dispute with the government and yet still spew out vitriol of this kind against teachers is what I call real hypocrisy. Why not get the facts; the truth; before condemning someone?

The truth is that it is breaking every teacher's heart to walk out of their classrooms. They certainly do tell students to not break rules or the law, but they also tell them that there are genuine, if rare exceptions.

For example, if an adult abuses power in some way and asks them to be silent, they are told to break the rule of obeying the adult and speak out. In a similar vein, the abuse of power that is Bill 160 requires teachers to do the moral rule breaking (illegal) right thing.

Why? For the kids of Ontario, that's why. Are they doing it for the money? You betcha. The 600-700 million additional dollars (over and above the \$1 billion already gone) to be cut from Ontario schools, which will affect: KIDS.

Are they striking for their jobs? Yep. The up to 10,000 lost teaching jobs that will occur if Bill 160 is passed, which will affect: KIDS.

Is it about prep time? Sure is. Because decreased prep time means fewer teachers in the schools (NOT more teachers in the classroom, which is completely false), which will affect: KIDS.

Is this a power struggle? Absolutely. Bill 160 will give dictatorial power to the Ontario government over Education, with no bargaining power regarding things like class size and school closures to teachers and school boards (i.e. parents like you and the public in general), which will affect: KIDS.

I'm no educator Mr. Ferguson, but let me tell you how our teachers spell "money, jobs, preparation time, and power": K-I-D-S; because they are the ones most hurt by bill 160.

Unfortunately, there are rare but clear instances in this world when breaking the government's rules (laws) is absolutely the only way to do the morally correct thing: this takes enormous courage, and the people who do it are applauded and earn our greatest respect. Far from "doing something wrong", Ontario's teachers are doing something so right that every parent, and indeed every citizen, should be joining them against the completely amoral (and legal) abuse of power that is Bill 160.

The students of this province who know the truth will only admire their teachers even more than they already did, I assure you.

René Benoit,
Haliburton.

where we were going. Unfortunately, we lost many of our youngsters along the way. They strayed from our path and we let them go. We learned to be more thoughtful and to care for each individual on our journey. We said we would recognize each person's right to stay on the path. As a community, we decided to give everyone a chance. There have been logs and stumps on the way. We have made some strange turns and stumbled a few times, but we have always found the path - fewer youngsters got lost.

Recently we have become restless. It seems that caring for the needy amongst us has slowed down our pace. The great gurus of politics have offered us a shorter path. "Just follow me," they

said, "and we will get you where you want to go."

The guides along the path said, "No. There is a cliff that way and we will lose too many of our youngsters. The cliff is too dangerous." The community has to decide which way to go. Years ago I chose to teach. It isn't a job, it's a place in the community, it's being a guide for that walk through the forest. I will not knowingly let my charges go over the cliff that Bill 160 represents. As a community, we will be poorer and there will be no path through the forest.

You choose. No matter what, I will still be your faithful guide.

David Mowat,
aka Beluga
The ELM guy.

Civil disobedience

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behaviour.

One - the government stated over and over that there were no plans to cut further monies from education - until Veronica Lacey's contract was leaked and it was proven that more money is on the block. Then the government did admit to the truth - but their first statements were lies.

Two - Education Minister Dave Johnson stated on October 28 that there are not cutbacks but that more money is being spent on education than in previous budgets. (a bit confusing, eh?) To account for this, he includes the one-time allocation of funds to pay for amalgamating school boards - a half truth/distorted statistic.

Teachers were attacked in last week's letters for striking illegally, censuring us for the bad example we are setting for the students of Ontario. I prefer to consider the position I have taken as one of protest, an act of civil disobedience. I would hope that Ontario students will learn of the many times that civil disobedience was used to effect positive change in our society. To

use a couple of admittedly extreme examples, I sure hope I would have had the courage to shelter a Jewish family in the holocaust or to have been a station on the Underground Railroad.

I personally have chosen to take this stand after heart and gut-wrenching reflections. I believe Bill 160 itself and equally or more importantly, the process by which the government is attempting to pass Bill 160, are in violation of the democratic principles that this country was founded upon. My decision was made easier by the fact that I am in contempt of a government that feels its majority gives it the right to deceive and lie to its people.

To those against the teachers' protest, please think of what's at stake here. It takes the lifetime of a country to establish and build upon the principles of democracy and honest, accountable governing, but it only takes one power-hungry government's repeated acts of dishonesty and deception to lose it forever.

Kathy Adams,
Haliburton.

Ask any teacher why such drastic action is necessary

Editor:

I am writing to add my voice to the thousands of parents, students, teachers and other citizens across this province who are gravely concerned about the future of public education in Ontario. I am writing to urge members of the public to talk to teachers and find out why they are protesting. I have found that when I talk to parents about Bill 160 and the implications for the future of our education system, they have a much better understanding of the situation. If you feel you don't understand the issues, don't be afraid to stop a teacher you know and find out why we believe we must take such drastic measures at this time.

Mike Harris says that this is the day, this is the week, this is the month when his government will put students first. However, the actions of Mike Harris' government belie his promise to put students first. Mike Harris and the

Tories campaigned on the promise that spending for education and health would not be cut. In their first two years in office they cut over half a billion dollars from education. Up until two weeks ago they consistently denied that further cuts were planned. Then finally last week Mike Harris admitted that another \$500 million to \$700 million in cuts to education are planned for 1998-99. Is it any wonder that Mike Harris has a credibility problem with parents, students and teachers?

Mike Harris wants you to believe that Bill 160 is merely about improving education and about making teachers work a little harder. Bill 160 would give cabinet full control over education, with no say for parents, school trustees, members of the legislature or teachers. Citizens of Ontario, these further cuts to the education budget can only mean

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Sports

Atom Tournament

The Minden Atom A Monarchs hockey team will host a tournament Saturday, November 8

Atoms outscore opposition teams 17-6 for three wins

Three more games have been added to the wins column by the Minden atom OMHA Monarchs hockey team. The Monarchs outscored the opposition

teams 17-6 over the three games. Add a 14-2 victory over Sunderland and the past four games have resulted in 31 goals for and eight against.

The Fenelon Falls squad bowed to the Monarchs by an 8-3 margin on October 24 in Fenelon Falls. Minden opened a 4-1 first-period lead and in-

creased it to 7-2 by the end of the middle frame.

Kolt Smith, Darren Brown and Andrew Bull each scored twice for the Monarchs, with Evan Kernohan and Mark Fisher adding singles. Kernohan added three assists, Bull and Sean Keaney notched two apiece and single helpers went to Brown, Jeremy Upton, Daryl Arbour, David Petch and Fisher.

One unanswered goal in each of the first two frames proved to be the margin of victory when the Monarchs played host to Manvers on October 25. Each team scored twice in the third as Minden cruised to a 4-2 win.

Brown notched the first-period marker for the Monarchs on an unassisted effort.

Kernohan's solo effort in the second period put the Monarchs in front by a 2-0 margin.

Fisher made it 3-0 early in the third, with an assist going to Bull and Kernohan's second unassisted marker of the game gave Minden a 4-0 advantage.

Manvers didn't give up without a fight, scoring twice before the game ended, cutting the Minden lead in half.

Four goals in the last six minutes of the first period got the Monarchs off to a good start when they tangled with the Mariposa team in Oakwood on October 27. The Minden team added one more in the second, allowing the home team to get on the scoreboard with the only goal of the third. The trip resulted in a 5-1 Minden victory.

Brown and Smith accounted for two goals each and the single was scored by Fisher. Kernohan picked up a pair of assists, while Smith, Keaney and Fisher had one helper apiece.



NOVICE TOURNAMENT: Hockey fans saw some hot action at the Minden Arena Saturday as the novice OMHA Monarchs held their annual tournament. The action above is from a game between Bracebridge (in white) and Lakefield. Bracebridge won this game by a 1-0 score.

Monarchs blank Fenelon Falls 4-0

The Minden novice A Monarchs knew from their previous match-up that the Fenelon Falls team plays a very tight, disciplined hockey game. For much of the first period of the October 25 game in Minden, the checking was tight and restricted to the neutral zone.

Fenelon appeared to get a break midway through the first period when a Fenelon player broke in from the left boards and snapped a shot to the far side of the net. But Mike Lennox made the save with his quick glove hand.

Before the first frame ended, the Monarchs started to put the pressure on the opposition. Cody Mills opened the scoring late in the period, with assists

from Aaron Keaney and Cody Smith.

The strong penalty killing of Jon Petch in the second period prevented Fenelon from getting back on even terms. Petch managed to keep the puck from going into the Minden net during a ferocious scramble in front of Lennox while the Monarchs were short handed.

Later in the period, Gavin Hicks rang a shot off the Fenelon goal post as he and linemates Travis Walker and Jordan Joanu put on tremendous pressure. Shortly after that, Justin McKelvey was robbed on a solo end-to-end rush.

Late in the second period, Aaron Keaney scored to give Minden a 2-0

lead. He added his second of the game in the third. Adam Googh, Zac Joanu and Cody Smith pick up assists on Keaney's goals. Cody Mills added an unassisted marker in the third to round out the game's scoring.

Mike Lennox earned the shutout.

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The Minden County Bowling centre was alive with excitement on Sunday, October 26. The League Executive Tournament, hosted by the Minden County Bowl Five Pin Bowlers' Association, held a pins over average tournament. Executives from all the leagues competed to see who would advance to the provincial finals.

The presidents' division was won by Dan Rivard with a plus 137. Second place went to Walter Stegmaier with a plus 71. Coming in third with a plus 66 was Teresa Clement.

The treasurers' division was won by Rawn Brown with a plus 136. Estella Burtch, with a plus 114, was second and Sheila Woodcroft was third with a plus 100.

First place in the secretaries division went to Debbie Cox with a plus 132. Coming in second, with a plus 98, was Scott Moore. Gail Goldenberg was third with a plus 39.

The three first place winners will represent Minden in their respective provincial finals on Saturday, January 24.

Dan Rivard will compete in Kitchener. Rawn Brown's final will be in Cambridge and Debbie Cox will compete in Waterloo.

Congratulations to the winners. The local five pin bowlers' association would like to thank everyone who took part in this event. Good luck to Dan, Rawn and Debbie in the provincial finals.

Sunday's 50/50 draw was won by Teresa Clement. Rawn Brown won the cheater's pool.

Thursday Night Mixed League

(October 23)

High average: Walt Stegmaier 225; Cindy Trebell 195

High single: Bryan Rivard 278; Deb Cox 240

High single (handicap): Bryan Rivard 300; Deb Cox 284

High triple: Walt Stegmaier 667; Sheila Woodcroft 542

High triple (handicap): Bryan Rivard 721; Deb Cox 669

Monday Night Mixed League

High average: Scott Moore 234; Michelle Moore 203

High single: Scott Moore 302; Marlene Bellar 228

High single (handicap): Scott Moore 302; Marlene Bellar 294

High triple: Scott Moore 702; Joanne Camelon 539

High triple (handicap): Scott Moore 702; Joanne Camelon 734

Tuesday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Bob Bullen 204; Eleanor Young 179

High single: Bob Bullen 216; Muriel Drinkle 219

High single (handicap): Tom Hurtt 246; Muriel Drinkle 284

High triple: Bob Bullen 603; Muriel Drinkle 510

High triple (handicap): Bob Bullen 619; Muriel Drinkle 575

Tuesday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Bob Bullen 204; Theresa Fox 168

High single: Bob Bullen 235; Eleanor Young 206

High single (handicap): Fred Coleman 282; Jo Newton 246

High triple: Bob Bullen 656; Eleanor Young 551

High triple (handicap): Fred Coleman 745; Eleanor Young 588

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Fred Cox 222; Cathy Snell 220

High single: Norm Goldenberg 286; Sharon Kernohan 302

High single (handicap): Steve Drew 297; Sharon Kernohan 360

High triple: Norm Goldenberg 686; Sharon Kernohan 612

High triple (handicap): Al Eskelin 764; Sharon Kernohan 786

Wednesday Night Men's League

High average: Scott Moore 241

High single: Addie Dykstra 259

High single (handicap): Eric Burk 253

High triple: John Whitty 589

High triple (handicap): Scott Moore 736

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Jerry Warren 199; Eleanor Lymer 179

High single: Fred Knight 295; Gladys Wruth 210

High single (handicap): Fred Knight 323; Gladys Wruth 272

High triple: Fred Knight 659; Eleanor Lymer 545

High triple (handicap): Fred Knight 743; Marg Albers 697

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High single: Robert Cox 102; Tori Brown 110

High double: Robert Cox 108; Tori Brown 212

Bantam

High average: Jeff Mickle 151; Lesley Cox 83

High single: Jeff Mickle 182; Lesley Cox 100

High triple: Jeff Mickle 516; Lesley Cox 274

Junior

High average: Dennis Cox 195; Kelly Berry 167

High single: Kyle Burley 193; Kelly Berry 195

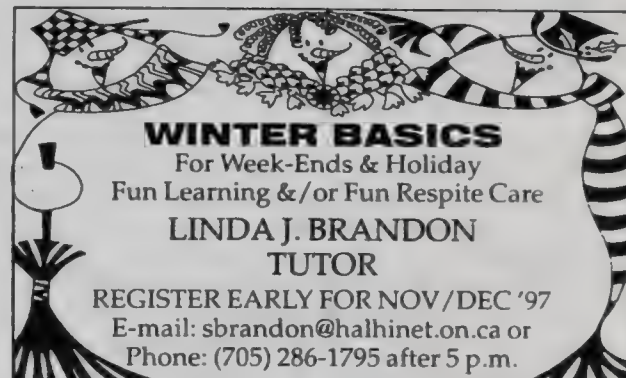
High triple: Kyle Burley 488; Kelly Berry 540

Senior

High average: Trevor Clement 17; Elizabeth Goldenberg 140

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Variety of issues concern Somerville candidates

Candidates for reeve

John Huke

"The next 12 months will change the way we do business," said incumbent reeve of Somerville Township John Huke.

He said he is sure Somerville will become part of a larger municipality within a two tier system or possibly even be run by a one tier government. Either way, amalgamation will be a reality, he believes.

"In order to get it done, we need people with experience and leadership ability," Huke said. "The reeve, being the county representative, will be the one who is going to have to lobby to get the best representation. We don't want to end up not being represented on county council."

Huke says he believes it is important to have the same people on council as the past term because they have the background knowledge to deal with the amalgamation and downloading issues.

"There won't be time for new members to take six months to learn what's going on," he said.

Huke says amalgamation can work.

"If you have four municipalities (amalgamated into one), you probably don't need four graders," he offered as an example.

Huke said the new actual value assessment (AVA) will be a nightmare. He says there is the potential for 77 classes of assessment.

Another major concern Huke has is the downloading of provincial highways to county road status and the resulting maintenance which will be the responsibility of the county.

Dianne Austin

Encouraged by many people in the community to do so, Dianne Austin of Norland decided to run for the office of reeve of Somerville Township. Her nine years as a public school board trustee have given her some experience which is parallel to that of municipal politics.

"As a trustee, I have experienced the difficulties brought on by restructuring. As the wave of change also encompasses the township and county levels of government, we must have strong leaders with proven track records to take on the challenge," Austin said.

Her decision to run for the municipality's top political position was prompted by her interest in county politics. Municipal reeves also sit on county council.

Austin is the executive director of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Victoria-Haliburton.

Austin says she has several skills which would be beneficial at both the municipal and county levels of government. They include writing government proposals, making presentations to government committees, public speaking, fund-raising, negotiations, and training in health and safety issues. She also holds a certificate in municipal administration.

Austin is a former employee of Victoria County Social Services, which, she says, gives her the ability to provide "knowledgeable leadership as the county takes on the sole responsibility for welfare administration."

Austin said her job allows her the flexibility in her work schedule to perform the duties that council would demand.

"It would be almost the same time commitment as the Board of Education," she said.

Candidates for deputy-reeve

Jack MacDonald

"The main issue, of course, is cutbacks," says Somerville incumbent deputy-reeve Jack MacDonald. "I think the people who are in there now should remain because they have been going through the cutbacks for two years now. We're up on them as much as you can possibly be."

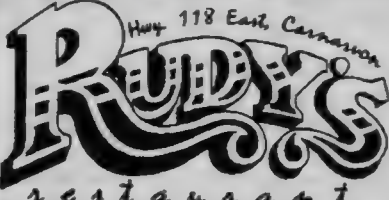
MacDonald says he has been part of the council which has kept the municipal tax increases to "just a wee bit above one per cent over a six year period, and that's pretty darn good." With that in mind, he's willing to let his record speak for itself.

With regard to the Balsam Lake Development proposal, MacDonald says he must declare a conflict of interest, since it is very close to his business -- Royal Resort.

MacDonald says his reasons for remaining in politics include the fact that there are still things left to be done regarding the reorganization of municipalities.

"In these times, I think we have to pull together," he said. "We can't afford the taxes to keep going up and up."

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Reorganization will be a major challenge

(from page 13)

MacDonald says the next several months are going to be very interesting.

"I wouldn't even try to second guess the powers that be," he noted, adding that information from the higher levels of government is received one day and three days later they send new, conflicting directives.

Tony Rivait

Somerville deputy-reeve candidate Tony Rivait said his concerns centre on downloading and cutbacks by the upper levels of government.

Rivait describes himself as "a typical guy."

He has been a resident of Somerville Township for two years, since his retirement from INCO, where he worked in the mines for 31 years.

"I've had a home here for six years," he said. "My wife is from this area."

Rivait said he didn't want to elaborate on the issues, but added, "It's time for a change in Somerville Township. We've seen candidates getting in here by acclamation. I just feel people should have a choice."

This is my first kick at the can. I have no prior experience with municipal politics," he said.

"I was a union steward for local 6500 of the United Steel Workers of America," he said.

Rivait was a trainer for tier two junior A hockey, which also involved public relations.

"Politics in this township are not quite what they should be," Rivait said.

He said he has "great support from some of the people in the community."

Rivait says campaigning has been quite an experience.

"I like a good challenge. With the cutbacks and the downloading and amalgamation coming up it's going to be quite interesting."

Candidates for councillor

John Austin

Incumbent councillor John Austin is seeking re-election.

"To be able to serve the people of Somerville is a privilege for me," Austin said. "For over 50 years I've lived and worked in the municipality and to offer my time and efforts to ensure the best quality of life for the taxpayers of Somerville is personally gratifying."

Austin was first elected to council in 1988. He has served on all committees of council and he says he has "gained a real sense of how local government must function for the benefit of all ratepayers. Somerville Township has much to offer the young and old alike."

Austin says it is important to keep informed about constant changes in policies as handed down by the upper levels of government.

"The need to keep apprised of the ever-changing policies and regulations is a challenge," he says, "yet

one which I find personally rewarding. I am looking forward to continuing my role as your elected representative and I pledge to serve the ratepayers of the Township of Somerville with the same dedication I have demonstrated in the past."

John Austin is the owner and operator of John Austin and Sons Ltd., the Castle Building Centre in Kinmount.

John Byrne

John Byrne is a retired Bell Canada employee who recently moved to Somerville Township. He has been a seasonal resident of the township for 17 years and a property owner for the past three years.

"Now that I'm retired, I have some time on my hands and I feel that I have the background and knowledge that would be beneficial to Somerville," Byrne said.

During his 27 years with Bell Canada Byrne spent 11 years in industrial relations and three years as internal auditor. The last job he had before retiring was

with the transition team, the mandate of which was to find places where the company could save money.

He says he doesn't believe the changes will be revenue neutral as the provincial government claims.

Byrne said he expects Somerville to grow, but a large portion of that growth will be older adults.

"We have to recognize that this is going to happen and work with other levels of government to provide the services these people are going to require and demand," he said.

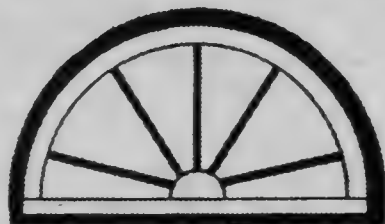
Byrne says he would be in favour of giving taxpayers more say on the important issues by allowing them to express their wishes through a vote.

"On the more pertinent issues," Byrne said, "I'd like to see more referendums. I think the people should be able to vote, whether it be one or two big issues a year or at election time. I think people want to be heard and the quickest way would be through the ballot."

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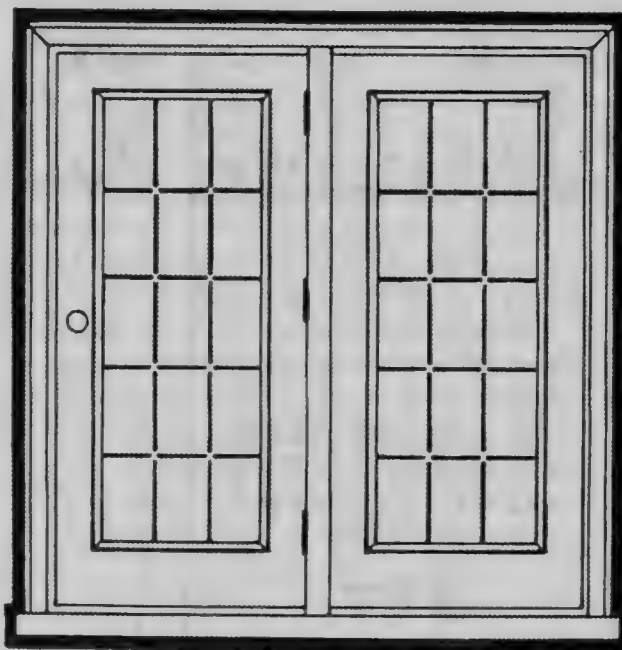
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Continuity is important to some candidates

(from page 14)

Byrne says he is ready for the challenge of municipal politics.

"I feel I have the time and the qualifications, and I'd like to be involved with Somerville Township," he said.

Clayton Cameron

The Four Mile Lake boat launch and a 70-unit development proposal on the shore of Balsam lake are two local issues that incumbent councillor Clayton Cameron says are likely to be campaign issues.

On the boat launch issue, Cameron says he is not in favour of any dramatic change to the current by-law, which restricts access to the launch to a few hours per day during the summer. The reason for closing the ramp for the rest of the day is concern for youngsters taking swimming lessons during the day.

Cameron says he is not against the Balsam Lake development, but he wants to make sure it is done "properly and correctly, and in such a manner to ensure it doesn't adversely affect the surrounding area."

He said studies are currently under way to determine whether or not the area can support such a development.

With his experience as public works superintendent of the Municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden and his years on Somerville council, Cameron feels qualified to deal with the responsibilities which are being handed down by the province.

"I would like to make sure the municipality negotiates the best deal possible and ensure good returns for dollars spent," Cameron said. "I feel that with my experience, both on council and professionally, I can offer the municipality quite a bit in regards to those items."

Audrey Thrasher

Campaign issues incumbent councillor Audrey Thrasher sees at the top of the list are downloading, reassessment and amalgamations/restructuring.

"I think it's important that this council keeps its continuity with the experienced people that we have, she said.

She says the current council has worked very well together.

"Of course, we disagree on some things, but that's only natural," Thrasher said. "I admire

all of them. They've been there a while and they've done a good job."

The past term on Somerville was the first for Thrasher.

"I've served on a lot of community groups and I thought that was a logical progression," she said.

Thrasher said that the Four Mile Lake boat launch is sure to be an issue.

"My stand on that remains the same," she said.

"The boat launch needs to be regulated."

The proposed development on Balsam Lake is another local issue Thrasher expects to be in the forefront.

"My one concern on that is the draw-down on the local wells," she said. "I want to see more expert opinion on that. With all the water they would be using, there's a possibility it could affect other wells in the area. Sewage is another concern, of course."

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Voters have no shortage of choices in LDL race

Two candidates are running for the reeve's position in the Municipality of Laxton, Digby and Longford.

Incumbent reeve John Macklem is seeking re-election after one term as reeve. He has also served as a councillor in the municipality.

Macklem said he expects a close race between himself and Sandra Stevens, who was a councillor for part of the past term and deputy reeve for part of the term.

"We're philosophically quite a ways apart," he said.

Macklem noted that his tenure as reeve has been a learning experience.

On the local scene, Macklem said he wants to make sure that seasonal residents are treated equally, noting that they should not have to pay double for services.

He said the municipality is going to have to re-instate a dog catcher position which was eliminated a few years ago. "We found it was very expensive to have a dog catcher, but we need animal control," he said. "It's a local issue, but a very strong one."

User fees is an issue on which Macklem has taken a strong stand. "They are going to be our revenues of the future," he said. "Whether we like them or not, on the municipal level, we don't have any other taxing ability. It's forcing us to be creative in the way we

raise revenues. It has the strong advantage that those who are using the service are the ones who are paying for it. When we get to the end of the day, we know there won't be enough money for everything."

Services, Macklem said, will have to be cost justified. "That process is painful, but it may also have some long term benefits."

Macklem is opposed to multiple mill rates, or tax rates, as they are now called, at the municipal level. "The bottom line is our taxing ability is going to be impaired because, in theory, we have to guarantee that no one is hurt."

He wondered how that could be accomplished when money is being taken out of the system.

With the possibility of a maximum of two current members of council being returned, Macklem noted that there will be a learning curve for the new council when it is formed.

The Times was unable to contact Sandy (Sandra) Stevens, the current deputy reeve. In a flyer sent out by her campaign officials, Stevens is critical of reeve John Macklem.

"Our present reeve has not been attending county Council meetings full time for the past year and a half," she says. "I will be at county council full time to represent our township to the best of my ability."

Stevens cites among her qualifications many years of accounting and business experience in large corporations, small business, the academic field and public utilities.

"I will work hard to ensure that the identity of Laxton, Digby and Longford does not get lost in the amalgamation shuffle," she says.

Deputy reeve candidates

Two of the current members of Laxton, Digby and Longford council are in the race for the deputy reeve position along with one newcomer to politics.

Lin Cole is one of the incumbent councillors running for deputy reeve.

"I feel I have more to offer than the other candidates because my experience is more management related than theirs," she said. "Going into a crucial situation with the amalgamation, we need all the experience we can get, both financial and managerial."

Cole said some decisions will have to be made regarding which services are essential and what the taxpayers want,

as opposed to what the politicians want.

"I think that is a very major concern at this time," she said.

Cole said one of her top priorities is recycling, which will extend the life of the landfill site.

She said she believes in fair and equitable treatment for all taxpayers,

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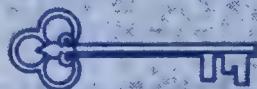
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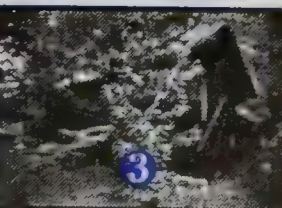
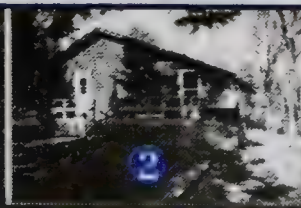
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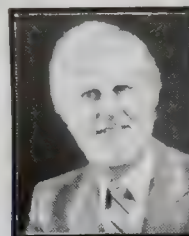
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November 3: A free workshop for women, 'Coping with Stress' at the West Guilford Community Centre. Free child care, sponsored by CHACE Mobile Outreach. 10:30 a.m.

November 4: Lapidary (rocks and minerals) classes at the Frost Centre with geologist Rick Keevil and artist Susan Lowery. \$10. Register by calling 705-766-2451. 7-10 p.m.

November 5: Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts fall workshop, Painting and Stroke Work with Dorothy Walker at the Rails' End Gallery, Haliburton. \$20. 7-9 p.m.

November 6: Meeting for the Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival. Looking for volunteers. 7 p.m.

November 7: Turkey Supper sponsored by St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. Adults \$10, children 12 & under \$5, pre-schoolers free. Tickets at Campbell Flowers or the from the church office. 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

November 7 & 8: Santa's Store at the Norland United Church. Friday night carol sing and shop 7-9 p.m. Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

November 8: Hunter's Turkey Dinner and Dance, Community Centre, Harcourt

November 8: Legion Ladies Fowl Supper at Legion Hall in Kinmount. 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

November 8: Candy Cane Festival and Craft Sale at Ridgewood Public School in Cobocok.

November 8: Early Bird Christmas Tea and Bazaar at the Ingoldsby United Church sponsored by the UCW. \$2. 1-3 p.m.

November 8: Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts fall workshop Painted Flower Pots with Mandi Fimio at the Rails' End Gallery, Haliburton. \$15. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

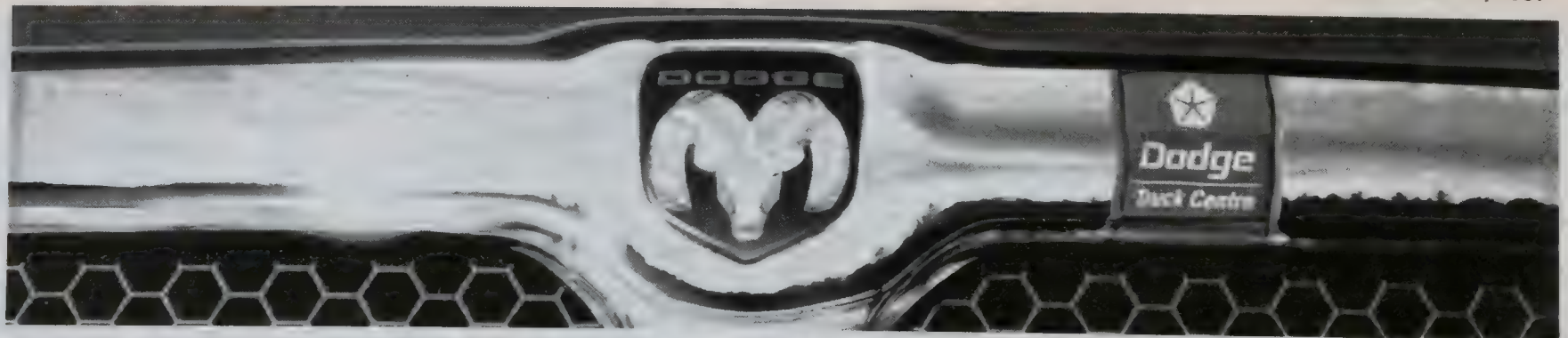
November 8: Handwoven Christmas Cards by Judy Chapman, workshop at Pritchard House, Minden. \$20 plus material fee. Call 489-2675. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

November 9: Remembrance Day Church Parade to Cenotaph - lunch follows at Legion Hall in Kinmount. 11 a.m.

November 9: Remembrance Day Service at the Burnt River Cenotaph. 9 a.m.

November 9: Remembrance Day service at the County Cairn next to the library in Minden. The parade will march from North Water and Main Street starting at 2:15 p.m. Ceremony begins at 2:30 p.m.

November 10: Municipal Election day. Check with your municipal office for details on where polling stations are located. Polls are open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.



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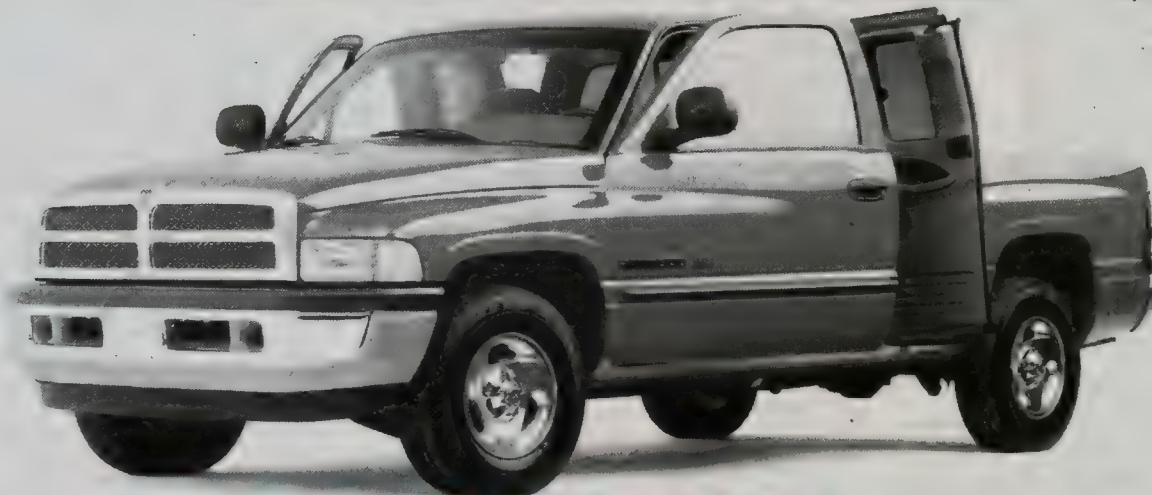


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LDL candidates have different priorities

whether they are full-time or seasonal residents or businesses. Cole said she would like to see "substantial planning" regarding the direction the municipality takes. She suggested that occasional town hall meetings be held to get input and ideas from the taxpayers.

She said there is a need to keep priorities in balance.

Several attempts to contact Bob Robertson regarding his candidacy for deputy reeve were unsuccessful. Robertson is no stranger to municipal politics. As the former Roads Superintendent of Laxton, Digby and Longford, part of his responsibility was to report to council on a monthly basis.

Candidates for councillor

Joanne Contant has been a resident of the municipality for five years and she says she now has the time to spend within the community.

"I've been wanting to get involved and the time is right," she said.

Contant is an accountant. She works for First Nations Tribal Council at Rama.

"They're similar, in the sense that they are sort of like municipalities," she explained. "I deal with a lot of councils, boards and directors."

Amalgamations are a big concern, she says, adding that not enough information is available at this time to make any decisions.

Downloading of services and financial responsibilities are first-time issues that are going to have to be dealt with. She says her accounting background and analytical skills would be an asset during the decision-making process.

Her work with the Tribal Council involves contact with various levels of government, mostly federal.

Norma Dunnett retired from the Victoria County Board of Education the end of August and she says she now has the time to devote to serving on council.

Amalgamation and downloading are the big issues to Dunnett. "We all know it is coming. We have to be prepared," she said. "It's a guessing game. With the downloading from Ottawa on down, it's going to be the little taxpayer that's going to be footing the bill."

Dunnett has been a resident of the area for 18 years. "We owned the Head Lake General Store for five years," she said.

She has been the secretary of the Coboconk Legion for six years. She is second vice-president and secretary to the zone commander.

"So, I've had business experience along the line," she said.

"If I do get elected, I'm looking forward to it. I think it's going to be very challenging."

Dunnett said budget responsibility will be important if taxes are to be held in check.

"It's not much different from running a household," she noted. "If you put out more than you bring in, you're going to be in trouble."

Grace Graham says she has lived in Norland for 30 years and she is ready to give something back to the community.

Graham said she would like to see more recreational opportunities for the young people in the area.

She said she is not looking forward to any type of amalgamation. She would prefer to see the municipality remain as it is. She admits that one person can't do much. "We would have to work together as a group," she said, adding that she doesn't believe she can make a lot of promises about what she is going to do if she is elected.

Graham has served on the Laxton, Digby and Longford Recreation Committee, assisted with the Norland Winter Carnival and helped organize fund-raising events. She worked as the librarian in Norland for 10 years. Her business experience includes a small craft business, Avon retailing and bookkeeping.

Leonard Greer is the only candidate for LDL councillor who has previous council experience. He was out of the area and unavailable for comment, but his wife said he was encouraged to run by several friends and relatives.

When he was on council before, his children were younger, but now that they have grown, he has more time to devote to municipal politics.

Greer is an employee of General Motors.

Ken Diebel says he would like to see severances more accessible.

"Voting a person into council doesn't give them the privilege of printing money," Diebel said. "The federal government and Canadian Tire have that pretty well tied up."

Diebel's platform includes promoting tourism.

He is a regular at LDL council meetings. He says over the past two years he has attended about 90 per cent of the council meetings.

Diebel said he has served on numerous committees within the United Church Presbytery, working with budgets in the six figures.

Diebel has been the owner of Spruce Glen Trailer Park just south of Norland for 18 years. He said being a member of council would not benefit him with regard to the trailer park issue (licensing fees) since he would have to declare a conflict of interest.

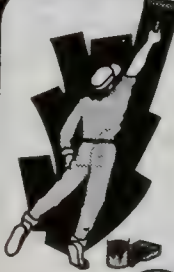
"I really do care what happens in this community," Diebel said. "I want the information first-hand."

Firefighter of the year

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"(The award) is well-deserved if he puts in as much effort for York as he does up here for Stanhope," he said, adding that Stiver "puts in 110 per cent" and is a very competent member of Stanhope. Stiver is one of four full-time firefighters who volunteer with Stanhope."

The City of York is the smallest of the cities that make up what's now called the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). The award, called the John Koci Firefighter of the Year Award, was created by the City of York after the well-respected firefighter died of cancer.



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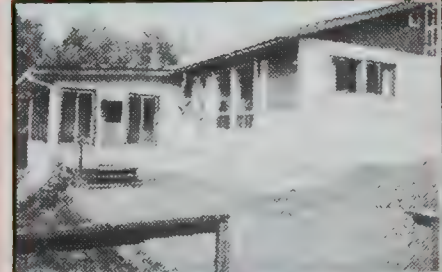
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A full slate in Monmouth

In contrast to most other municipalities in the area the election in Monmouth Township is a full blown community affair. All offices are being contested and lively debate is taking place between the candidates.

The current reeve, Keith Tallman, has thrown his hat in the ring again and is facing the present deputy reeve, Wren Hughes for the top spot.

Tallman brings over 30 years of municipal experience, 19 of those as reeve of the township. "I am concerned about the next three years," the incumbent reeve said. "I expect some form of amalgamation to take place and, with the information the province has given us so far, the numbers just don't add up." Tallman said that amalgamation is inevitable because of the cutbacks in provincial support and the downloading of responsibilities to the municipalities. "We can only hold our own for so long," he said.

The reeve suggested that municipal residents have yet to see the true impact of the changes and these will soon become evident. He predicted that municipalities will have to raise taxes 25 to 30% to maintain the level of service now being provided and pay for the new responsibilities. "We have absorbed a lot of cuts over the past year and a half...we're going to have to find ways to save even more," he said, suggesting that it would be difficult to do without impacting on the services.

He said Monmouth Township will likely benefit from new assessment, but he wasn't sure if it would be enough to match the increased responsibilities.

Tallman said he was frustrated by the lack of solid information from the province, which is further complicating the municipality's efforts to plan for the future.

Turning to a local issue, Tallman said the council has put on hold a decision taken earlier this year to sell three municipally owned building lots in the village of Wilberforce. He said the council saw an opportunity to raise some additional funds to help with the added expenses, but the council backed away from the sale after a community petition objecting to the sale was presented to the council. It was suggested the lots could be used for a municipal park. "We have a seven acre community park 300 metres away from these lots. I don't think we need two parks in Wilberforce and if we're going to develop parkland it should be in Essonville or Tory Hill."

Tallman said he has been involved in the development of the municipality over the past three decades and he would like to continue to be a part of it.

Deputy Reeve Wren Hughes is challenging Tallman for the reeve's chair. "I think it is time for a change," he said. The township has been in a bit of a rut and I think I can make a difference."

Hughes, who has been a councillor for three years and deputy reeve for the same length of time, is concerned about the downloading and cuts in financial support from the province. "We have lost 19.5% of our provincial support last year," he commented. "One township cannot stand alone. We need at least four townships," and suggests Monmouth should be joined with Glamorgan, Cardiff and Harcourt. He noted that even though Harcourt Township is part of the municipality of Dysart, Monmouth provides road services now and the residents of the township use Wilberforce recreational facilities.

Hughes also pointed out that Monmouth, Glamorgan, and Cardiff were once a single municipality.

"We need someone who is willing to change, who can provide good leadership and who can carry the ball, Hughes said.

"I'm not making any promises because there will be no money to make promises with," he concluded.

Deputy reeve

Two candidates have stepped forward to contest the Deputy Reeve's position, Rick Forget and Patricia Simiana.

Forget said he has enjoyed his last three years as a councillor and while he suggests amalgamation is likely going to happen, he wants to see it through the process. "I am not sold on a single tier," Forget said. "It is difficult to say what the outcome will be, but whatever it is, I want to see an even balance between the townships."

Referring to the sale of the parkland, Forget said if

the council can work without the money, it should hold onto the land for future consideration.

"Monmouth Township has a lot going for it. We have lots of amenities backed by volunteers," the candidate said. "The fact that we are one of the few townships with a complete slate and even have seven people going for the three council seats is a good indication of the level of interest."

Patricia Simiana is bringing years of volunteer involvement in the community to her bid for the deputy reeve's position. She has been involved with the community's Police Support Association, the Library Board, Agricultural Society and the Red Cross Hospital museum.

Simiana wants to keep taxes to a minimum and attract new businesses to the community, especially in the tourism field. She said the introduction of any new services must be done with the tax resources currently available.

The candidate also complained that the province has been unable to provide municipalities with all the facts to assist them in making decisions regarding amalgamation and budgeting. "There is nothing there to work with. It will be a tough haul without the necessary information."

Simiana worked with the Ontario government for 23 years, including three different political administrations, before moving to the Wilberforce area nine years ago. "I like this area and want to represent the people and work with them and the council," she said.

Seven councillor candidates

Monmouth Township has the largest number of candidates in the county vying for council seats. Seven hopefuls have thrown their hats in the ring for the November 10 vote.

Hilda Clark, a retired health and physical education school teacher, moved back to the Wilberforce area nine years ago and hopes to make, "an intelligent and thoughtful contribution," to the deliberations of the council. She is concerned about the impact of provincial downloading and is open to carefully examining restructuring options. Through her community involvement she thinks she has an understanding of what the people are concerned about in the area.

Harry Dale, the president of the Wilberforce Business Association, has thrown his hat into the election ring because, "I don't like what I've seen...this is a 'do nothing' council." He feels the council could do more to make the municipality an attractive place for people. "I would like to see potted plants on the main street of Wilberforce, Christmas lights and anything to make people feel welcome in our community," he said. The owner of the All Star Bar and Grill in Wilberforce, Dale is a retired computer company owner who feels his experience will help him at the council table. Dale praised the council for not raising taxes, but feels the council has lacked direction and he could provide that.

John Goverde placed his name on the ballot after being asked by citizens in the community to run for office. "This is a critical time for the municipalities because of the provincial downloading," he said. "There is no question that amalgamation will happen, I just want to make sure this township is ready when it does. I want to ensure that Monmouth Township gets its fair share." Goverde has been president of the community policing association for four years and involved in a number of other volunteer positions.

Tom Huffman describes himself as a relative newcomer (10 years)

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Not about salaries

Editor:

Harris, in his paid advertisements (who's paying for them anyway?), has focused not on the issues in Bill 160, but rather on the "illegality" of the action and the type of example we are setting for our students. On this point, I can only speak from a personal perspective.

If I were to happen upon a person hit by a car or otherwise seriously injured, I may overlook the posted speed limit. I would probably drive as quickly as I felt was safe to do so - this situation is, after all, an emergency. I would make my decision knowing I was breaking the speed limit, knowing I could be pulled over and fined and/or lose points and yet am willing to break the speed limit anyway. I would hope the results outweigh the risks. Emergencies sometimes require that I take action I would not normally take. I would accept the traffic ticket and other penalties, understanding I had in fact broken the law.

Well, ladies and gentlemen, I believe we have an Educational Emergency and so I "speed" - knowing there are consequences that I face. And in my willingness to forego all salary and face any other penalty Harris' government brings forth, I hope to raise awareness - to cause you to pause in your busy life and ask why I would do it? Why I have jeopardized the respect of my family, friends, neighbours and students? Do you really believe I want larger class sizes? Or is there something you are not being told - don't know about?

Harris is asking us to give him all the power and "trust" that he'll do the "right thing". How can I trust a man who has lied about funding cuts, clouded the issue with items not in this bill and provided no actual numbers (what will the class size be? What is the funding formula for the new boards?)

You may believe I have a biased opinion and so I challenge you not to take my word for it - Question, Investigate, Analyze, Decide and Act. That is the role model I provide for my students. Take your own stand, but do it with knowledge of the facts (many newspapers, TV news broadcasts and TVO's Studio Two carry a variety of perspectives). Get a copy of the bill and read it. Examine it and tell me if there is anything you can find in it relating to "standard report cards" or "curriculum" (both, by the way, have been accepted and have been implemented as of September, 1997).

And yes, perhaps a part of me hopes the police officer who stops me, my neighbours, friends and students, understand that this is an extenuating circumstance - this is not my usual action.

Sharon Dibblee
HHSS Teacher

P.S. Harris wonders, publicly, why teachers won't be reasonable and wait for their new contracts and protest legally at that time. What he leaves out is that if this bill passes, the only issue we could legally protest would be our salaries. Salaries are not what this protest is about!

Education system is about to be dismantled by the current government

(from page 10)

fewer teachers in the classroom, more crowded classes for students, less individual attention, more restricted programs, no help for special needs students - in short, a poorer quality education system, not a better one. And all of this will be accomplished by cabinet decree with no debate.

I believe that we are at a crucial stage in the history of this province. This is the day, this is the week, this is the month when we decide what kind of education and what kind of future we want for our children, and ultimately what kind of future for Ontario. Mike Harris and his government want to put students first - but only the students of families who can afford private school. They want a two tier system of education with an inexpensive, mediocre public system which will encourage private schools to thrive. Those who can afford it will still be able to get a good education for their children. Those who can't will be out of luck. We will have greater disparities in wealth in our

society, more poor, more unemployment, more welfare, more crime and our labour force will be less competitive in world markets.

Ontario has a long and strong history of building a just, noble and equitable society - one which leads Canada and the world in terms of its opportunity and wealth. Our education system has been one of the cornerstones of our success. And it has always been recognized as such by our political leaders. Now it looks as though our education system is about to be dismantled by the current government.

Citizens of Ontario, the concerned parents, students, teachers and others who are engaging in political protest are sounding a warning. We have a choice now to dramatically affect our children's future and the future prosperity of Ontario. What kind of Ontario do you want to be living in twenty years from now?

Walter Tose,
HHSS Teacher

Editor's note

We have received a large number of letters on the teachers' strike and are unable to allocate any more space in this week's edition to them. Letters not appearing this week will be held until next week and used then if applicable.



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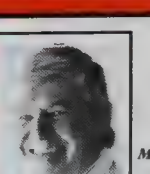


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Lutterworth council race

Newcomer challenges Lutterworth veterans

Although the positions of Reeve and Deputy Reeve have been acclaimed in Lutterworth township, a newcomer is giving the three incumbent councillors a run for their money.

"I decided to run because everyone was unopposed," said David Pearsons. "I think there should be some new voices." Pearsons will be running for one of three positions on council against Heather Hope, Mike Wahlroth and Bill Valentine.

Pearsons is concerned that with few

employment opportunities, the young people of Lutterworth are leaving. He wants to ensure that there are jobs for his children in the future. "There is nothing here for our children and this area should have so much to give," he said. Pearsons feels that his background in accounting and business will help council in bringing economic development to the township.

Bill Valentine believes that economic development will be difficult to implement in the community, and that

the council should look to improving the base of tourism in the area. "People talk about employment and have been for 40 years. It's been pie in the sky for so long," said Valentine. "All we have to rely on is tourism and our local artisans." Bill Valentine feels that his long experience with the Lutterworth council, both as councillor and as reeve, stand as excellent qualifications for the job. "I'm not making any big statements about what I'm going to do, but I can offer honesty and experience," he said. Valentine was a teacher at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School for 27 years.

As part owner of Hope Satellite,

Heather Hope feels that she brings a business perspective to the council. She enjoyed her previous term as a councillor so much that she decided that she should run again. "I wear two hats in council," said Hope. "I look out for the businesses in Lutterworth and I look out for the people of Lutterworth." She feels that she has seen a little bit of what the future holds for Lutterworth township as far as the provincial downloading of services to Ontario municipalities. What she has seen has scared her and she hopes to "protect the identity of Lutterworth, whether it stands alone or

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More youth programs needed

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to the community, who has responded to a call from other citizens to run for office. He became involved at the municipal level earlier this year as part of a group of citizens opposed to the sale by the municipality of three building lots in Wilberforce. The decision to sell the lots has been placed on hold as a result of the group's efforts. Huffman would also like to see a more involved role for the recreation committee. He suggested at the moment the group serves as a fundraising body and said it should be more involved in the operation of the area's recreational facilities. He would also like to see more programs, such as tennis lessons, curling or woodworking, for young people, utilizing the skills of area residents. Huffman, who was involved in a citizen's committee on regional amalgamation in the Northumberland area 25 years ago, said amalgamation is inevitable and any decision should involve the citizens and ensure that no area of the county "gets the short end of the stick."

Ruth Strong feels that her six years

of experience as a councillor will be of benefit for the new council. "I thought that through my experience with council and the knowledge of the township, that I could do a good job," said Strong. She believes that Monmouth council should look into amalgamation. "I think that all in all that we would far pretty well from amalgamation," she said. Strong is the Office Manager for Ontario Hardwood Veneer.

Gary Stoughton describes himself as a community-minded individual who "hates paying taxes like everyone else." He served on council before becoming a municipal employee five years ago. He thinks that amalgamation is a good idea and feels it will eliminate a lot of duplication. "The townships are sharing resources now," he commented, adding he would like to see that co-operation increased. He envisions a grouping which would include Monmouth, Harcourt, Cardiff, Bicroft and perhaps Glamorgan.

The Times was unable to contact councillor candidate Jim Detterling.

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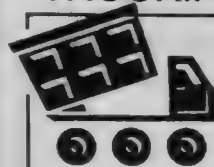
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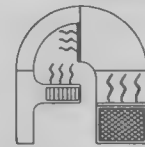
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Lutterworth reeve and deputy reeve acclaimed

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Amalgamation is also a question of great importance to Mike Wahlroth. Although he believes in a two tier system of government in the county, he feels that township amalgamation is the way of the future. "In

some form or another, amalgamation has to come," said Wahlroth. "But I don't think that anyone has any idea how it will be done." Wahlroth has been a councillor in Lutterworth for one term, but he thinks that a seasoned council will be the best safeguard against downloading. "The first year or year and a half you are on council you are not overly efficient as you are

learning the ropes and I think that with the downloading, the first year will be critical," said Wahlroth.

An advance poll will be held on Saturday, November 8 from 1 to 7p.m. at the Lutterworth Municipal Office.

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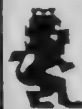
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Glamorgan candidates concerned about amalgamation

While the reeve, Elva Bates, has been returned by acclamation in Glamorgan Township, voters will have a chance to select candidates for the positions of deputy reeve and three council seats.

Bill Challis, the incumbent deputy reeve, has thrown his hat into the ring again. He brings his six years experience, three as a councillor, to the contest.

The cuts to provincial grants and the downloading of services onto the municipalities are the major problems facing the municipality. "We will need strong leadership and direction to see us through the next three years," he stated.

He feels that amalgamation is inevitable. "But I want to ensure that the township doesn't lose its identity in the process," he commented. The big challenge will be coming through the amalgamation without having to raise taxes or cut services. He is concerned that amenities such as the Gooderham post office, community centre or municipal complex could be lost in the process.

"The biggest thing is to be able to cope with these changes," he said.

Chuck Viner has stepped up from his councillor position to contest the deputy reeve's spot. He has been a member of council for the past three years.

Viner is concerned that a single township municipality like Glamorgan could be "pushed around by the big guys" in the scramble for amalgamation. He said amalgamation with Dysart appears to be the most logical step but he doesn't want to commit himself until he has all the facts. "It is difficult to say at this time where we would be better off," he adds.

Viner would also like to see closer co-operation between council and the fire department from an administrative point of view. "We have a great fire department and the volunteers deserve a great deal of credit for the job they do," he commented.

He is also concerned that the road maintenance be continued and that the council hold the line on taxes if at all possible.

Councillors

Four candidates are vying for the three Glamorgan council seats.

Donna Graham was attracted to municipal politics after she attended a number of council meetings and became interested in the business being discussed. "I want to become involved," she said. Graham is a real estate broker and is a director on the real estate board.

Donna McCausland would like to see more programs for children in the Gooderham area. She has helped out with programs at the community centre and feels more activities should be offered to the children. She also sees road maintenance as a major concern in the coming three years.

"I want to help and be involved," she commented.

Brian Monaghan has been coming to the area for 50 years and decided to become a permanent resident a year and a half ago. Monaghan has been involved with the annual Horseshoe Days Festival in Gooderham. He sees the impact of provincial downloading as one of the main issues. "I would like to see us hang on to what we have," he commented, "and maintain the lifestyle we enjoy."

He is leery of amalgamation, suggesting that it is the larger municipalities which will benefit from it. "I would like to see it stay just like it is," he said.

Craig Pettit is the fourth candidate seeking one of the three council seats at the table. He has been the

municipality's representative on the County Land Division Committee and has worked with the fire department. Pettit also served for a number of terms as the Glamorgan representative on the Haliburton County School Board.

He is hoping to be able to encourage development in the municipality to expand the tax base. "As far as amalgamation goes, I will be looking for the best deal for Glamorgan," he said, pointing out that a lot of the information about the impact is still not available.

"We have to take a look at everything we do and find efficiencies wherever we can," he said. "The current council is doing a good job, but I think we must look for savings in other areas."



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Street lighting, parking concern Dysart candidates

Incumbent reeve of Dysart et al Murray Fearrey has been acclaimed.

Two candidates are vying for the deputy reeve position.

Bill Davis is the incumbent deputy reeve. He will be seeking his fourth term on Dysart council. Drawing on nine years' experience, Davis is confident his experience and knowledge will be an asset to the municipality in the challenging times ahead.

Davis expects "significant change" in the near future. Among his concerns are policing, highways, downloading, housing and restructuring.

The fact that the municipality has been able to maintain a zero increase in taxes in the face of funding cutbacks and actually increased the municipality's reserves is something in which he takes great pride.

Davis says he will work to achieve accountability and affordability in municipal government.

"We will have to be innovative and creative," Davis said.

Bob Nichol says, "I'm here to represent you and you only."

He said the taxpayers are the backbone of the municipality. "I'm no different than you," he said.

"I'm not afraid of work," Nichol said. "I will work hard to help the municipality grow and prosper. I believe in Haliburton."

Nichol said he would take a positive attitude to council and noted that Haliburton needs good government making good decisions.

"If Metro Toronto can come in with a zero per cent increase, surely we can be close to that here."

Whether I'm elected or not, I challenge everybody to come up with a fresh idea by January.

Nichol has served on council in the past.

Three councillor candidates are vying for one seat in Ward One.

Nancy Roberts says she will bring a fresh, younger perspective to Dysart council. "I think you need a variety of people to represent the concerns that face everyone, not just a certain group." She says she doesn't belong to any special interest groups.

"There are a lot of changes coming in the next few years and I thought now is a good time to become involved to understand those changes and what they mean to a community such as ours."

She said it is important to ensure the municipality has the best services possible for the funding that is available. "We have to plan carefully for the future. I think the impact of the plans we make over the next few years are going to be really important because they're going to really affect the future of the municipality."

"I'm a people person,"

she said. "I think I'm pretty average. I realize I have a lot to learn, but I think that can be a good thing too. You can't be all business, you have to be part people too."

Roberts noted that there haven't been many women interested in the local political scene in recent years. She hopes to change that by adding a fresh outlook to council if she is elected on November 10.

"I thought I might be able to do something in this municipality to get things rolling," said council hopeful Wayne Wood. "It seems we are being passed by on things and I have some ideas that might help to get some work into this county and provide some year-round employment. So, I thought I'd throw my hat in the ring."

Wood said he would like to see more senior housing in Haliburton. Upgrading of street lighting is another issue he says needs attention. "We have a parking problem, like all small towns do," he said.

With regard to downloading of services from the upper levels of government, Wood says he doesn't think anybody can provide a solution at this time. There are too many unknowns.

"We're going to have to bite the bullet and see if we can hold the taxes down," he said.

"I'm interested in politics and I'm interested in this county and this town. I think we need to have more progress. I'm a worker, I can handle the jobs, I'm dedicated and that's why I'm here."

He said if he is elected he will do his best to keep tax increases at a minimum.

"The big thing is the downloading and everybody is concerned about that," Wood said.

Wood has been a trustee with the board of education for 12 years.

The Times was unable to contact Peter Curry for his comments. Curry is the incumbent council member for Ward Two. The past term was his first in municipal politics.

Ward two is also a three-way race.

Dennis Casey is the incumbent councillor for Ward Two. "I'm a firm believer in the democratic process," he said.

Casey has served on the Property and Planning Committees and he is the chair of the Recreation Committee.

Casey said he is proud that council has managed to meet its budget requirements with no tax increases or cuts to services.

With three years experience on council, Casey said he is "up to speed as any incumbent councillor can be."

Casey says taxpayers should be treated the same as businesses treat their customers.

"We need to wake up and smell the coffee," he said. "Haliburton is in the prime of its existence."

Al Ferguson built a house at Drag Lake when he retired from IBM. His family has had a cottage on Drag Lake for 25 years.

Among his biggest concerns are downloading of services from the upper levels of government and reassessment.

Ferguson says he believes a strategic plan is needed, one which will focus on a four-season economy. He said the municipality should strive to make Haliburton more attractive to retired people and

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A truck loaded with steel found itself in trouble Monday morning as it tried to climb the hill on South Lake Road near the turn to Panorama Park. The slippery conditions and steep incline caused the vehicle and trailer to slide off the road. The driver was forced to wait for a tow truck to get his rig back on the pavement.

Correction

The Journey for Sight donation mentioned in last week's report from the Kinmount Lions Club should have read \$1,100. We apologize for this error.

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Two school board trustees seek council jobs

(from page 26)

cited Elliot Lake as an example.

Promotion of Sir Sandford Fleming College's fine arts program would also be a priority for Ferguson.

He says his 30 years experience with IBM in business and planning would be an asset in municipal politics.

Now that he is retired he says he has the time to dedicate to municipal politics.

Nancy Stinson decided to make the switch from board of education trustee to council member. She is confident that her service as a trustee has prepared her for municipal politics.

"As a trustee, I've dealt with many of the same types of problems as council," she said.

Stinson's husband Mike is employed by the municipality of Dysart on the Roads Department. She said that it wouldn't pose any problems because she would declare conflict of interest on any matters re-

lating to his employment.

Stinson is a judge for the Canadian Figure Skating Association and a Girl Guide leader.

Ward Three incumbent councillor Tom Coghlan was acclaimed.

Ward Four has two candidates running for one position on council.

Leon Jones is the incumbent. Jones is running on his track record, pointing out that over the past three years council has held the line on taxes in spite of funding cut-backs, and, at the same time, increased its reserves.

He noted that the municipality has been able to take advantage of infrastructure funding. He is proud of the fact that he has never missed a council meeting or committee meeting during his tenure.

"I will try to solve any problems fairly," he concluded.

Ian Wood is challenging the incumbent Ward Four councillor.

Wood abhors the petty crime and property damage

perpetrated by some area youth. "We need to put our heads together to solve the problem," he said, adding that he thinks communication is the key.

Wood said he would like to see lots numbered for emergency purposes.

Incumbent Dan Kay was acclaimed in Ward Five.

Seven candidates vie for four seats on Snowdon council

Like all townships in Ontario, Snowdon must be prepared to deal with the provincial downloading of services in the coming year. The candidates who are running in this election feel they are prepared to work hard to make sure that Snowdon survives, either on its own or as an amalgamated township.

Although Ross Rigney has been acclaimed as the Reeve of Snowdon, there are seven individuals running for the remaining seats on council. Incumbent Dwain Wruth is competing for the job of deputy reeve against Ray Lymer. Ron Buchanan, Wendy Ladurantaye, Bob Martin, Reg Raby and Ernie Roylance are running for the three councillor positions.

Dwain Wruth believes that his experience as Deputy Reeve will be a definite asset to Snowdon council. He said that his "down home common sense" and background in local politics will be of benefit to the new council. He feels that council should not be afraid to spend a little money or be prepared to give tax breaks to industries that are interested in setting up in the township if it means that residents will profit. "If you can spend five dollars to save ten dollars, then you should spend it," said Wruth. "But we have been working at economic development for the last 20 years. It's tough."

As a councillor for the last six years, Ray Lymer feels that he has gained a sense of what is to come in the township after provincial downloading. "We've got to be smarter with what we've got if we want to survive," said Lymer. "You've got to be flexible. I have experience in what's going on in regards to downloading and what the people need." Lymer believes that amalgamation with another municipality would be an advantage to ratepayers.

Ron Buchanan considers his 29 years as an OPP Sergeant to be an excellent resource for council. "I

have experience with community service. I know a lot of people in the area," he said. "All I can promise is three years of hard work. I could make a lot of promises but a promise made is a debt unpaid." Reg Raby also doesn't want to make any promises he can't keep. "I don't claim to have the answer for anything," he said. "I don't really have an agenda. I just have an interest in municipal politics." Raby considers his administrative experience, from both owning a business and work with the MNR will be an asset to council.

After 12 years as a school board trustee, Wendy Ladurantaye feels that it is time for a change. She believes that as the role of the school board trustee is becoming diminished, her time would be better spent serving the municipality. "At a local level you can really make a difference. An election is the only time people have a voice," she said. "I believe in county government. We have to stop worrying about one piece and start working together. It's like a house divided." Ernie Roylance also feels that a one tier system of county wide governance would be most beneficial to Snowdon. "I think that we can get the most bang for the buck from the county," he said. Roylance worked in the building department of the township of Lutterworth for ten years and thinks that his municipal experience makes him an excellent candidate for councillor.

"I am able to coordinate and get people to co-operate," said Bob Martin. He joined the Snowdon council six months ago when a councillor quit the position. "The current council was very helpful and supportive of me," he said. Martin would like to encourage development in the area to stimulate employment in Snowdon township.

All seven candidates believe that they have a unique quality that will help to protect the ratepayers of Snowdon township while it faces the enormity of the provincial downloading and the possibility of amalgamation.

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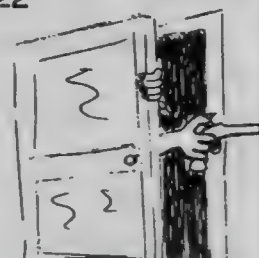
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH PUBLIC NOTICE

File # SR-2/97

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Lutterworth, proposes to enact a by-law to stop up, close and convey to the abutting property owner a portion of the original allowance for road set out and described as follows:

FIRSTLY: ALL and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of part of the original sixty-six foot shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Part of Lots 14 and 15, Concession 11, and being more particularly described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Haliburton as Plan 19R-6403.

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW will come before the said Council for consideration at its Regular Meeting at the Municipal Office, located three miles south of Minden on Highway #35, on the 13th day of November, 1997, at the hour of 4:00 p.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Township of Lutterworth this 6th day of October, 1997.

Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Township of Lutterworth,
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Seniors on the go with a full itinerary of bus trips

by Helen Henderson

The trip committee of Haliburton County Home Support Service has planned and organized trips for the past four seasons. Every minute of the work involved in arranging the 20 trips has been a pleasure and we have been rewarded by the many group participants who have told us how much they have enjoyed our choice, with the exception of three trips which had to be cancelled due to a lack of interest.

We have attended by bus most of the major shows in Toronto such as 'Crazy for You', 'Showboat',

'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat' (two buses), 'Phantom of the Opera', 'Sunset Boulevard' and 'Ragtime'. Our very first trip was to see a Blue Jays baseball game at the Dome.

We also planned four overnight trips to Fort Erie, the races, etc. Science North in Sudbury; Stratford to see 'The Boyfriend'; Niagara Falls to see the Christmas lights and two shows in Niagara Falls, New York convention centre; Niagara on the Lake; Shaw Festival Theatre; two different trips to Orillia--one included a cruise on Lake Couchiching, the other included Casino Rama--and a full-day cruise of Lake Muskoka, Lake

Joseph and Lake Rosseau; and Oshawa/Whitby to see Cullen Gardens Festival of Lights and the Canadian Automotive Museum.

On one of the buses to see 'Joseph' we were delayed in Pickering Town Centre. One of our members required a wheel chair and the ensuing difficulty caused us to be a few minutes late for the show. The staff at the Ford Theatre held the show for three minutes so we could be seated.

Our problem-solving skills have been tested on several occasions. On another occasion, a client with a severe asthma problem had left her medication in the hotel, and arrangements had to be made quickly to return her from the casino in the United States to our hotel in Canada and then return for the pick-up other members of the tour group.

Problems often arise but we try to anticipate and deal with difficulties before we leave home or before we leave our hotel.

Remember, next year, July 5, 'Riverdance' at the Hummingbird Theatre in Toronto. We have a waiting list, but anyone interested should make sure their name is on it, as we may have some cancellations.

The trip Committee expects to be planning other trips for the 1998 season. If you have any suggestions and should you wish to be notified, a \$5 annual fee, payable to Haliburton County Home Support services will assure your receipt of trip information.

Thank you very much for your past participation and many kindnesses. We do hope to see you again next year.

Discovering family treasures

by Dave Bulford

Who would have guessed that the Col. John McCrae medals would sell for \$400,000 at last week's auction?

Memories, mementoes, treasures, keepsakes of the past? We all have such personal items carefully put away that reflect on past times. I know of a Christening gown that has been worn by various family members on three continents over a period of six generations. In local museum is a wire-wheeled wicker baby carriage that was built at the turn of the century, but proudly used into the mid-1970s.

Many families have traditional family bibles that dutifully recorded the births, marriages and passing of past generations. There are diaries of some of Canada's original pioneers put away in someone's sock drawer.

In most instances, these treasured items are proudly displayed to visitors and other family members. In some cases the memento is purposefully secreted away, so that no one else will discover that 'Great Uncle George' may have been sent to the colonies because of the loaf of bread he stole. Treasures of the 'Home Children', the orphans and street waifs sent out from England and Scotland by the Quarriers and Bernardos, are only recently being acknowledged by their descendants.

Unfortunately, we do not always recognize the future significance of today's treasures. We all too well remember cleaning out the attic or garage and disposing of items that today we wish we had saved. There is something favourable to be said for the 'saver' who finds secret hiding places for things that at the time may not be significantly important. Where are your records of the Kingston Trio, or that cylinder record

of Alexander's Ragtime Band? Where are those baseball or hockey cards of 20 years ago?

Genealogy involves the collection and organizing of historical facts and dates. By tracing our family roots, we can reflect on our own heritage. Often the trinkets, mementos, treasures and keepsakes of the past reflect on the times and lives of persons of another era.

The Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group meets five times per year to encourage members and visitors in the discovery of their own heritage.

On Wednesday November 12, the organization meets at 7 p.m. at the Minden Public Library for their second annual "Bring An Ancestor" night. Everyone is welcome to come and listen to members and visitors explain their memento or treasure from past generations. Or better still, why not dig that treasure out of your closet or sock drawer, bring it along and tell us about your window on the past.



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Later that day, the Grandfathers (who have now grown to six) were here for our Happy Hour. We also welcomed a new resident, Mrs. Frances Ireland to our home.

On Saturday afternoon we had the pleasure of being entertained by the Junior members of the Scottish Highland Dancers, some of whom were only five. It was good to have them with us again and hope they will return soon. Four girls of the group competed in Glasgow, Scotland last year at the Scottish Festival and returned with prizes. Also on Saturday, Bertha Hughes attended the wedding of her granddaughter, Carol Ann (daughter of Bev.)

The following day we were so pleased to have Beth and Fred Parker visit and to see that they are both feeling better. Both of them were volunteers at our home and have many friends here. They will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary in December and we send our best wishes to them.

On the 27th, an open discussion took place regard-

ing the Hyland Crest/Hospital merger. Linda Fry took time to explain upcoming changes and showed us the blueprints. Thank you Linda, the plans sound great and we appreciated the details that helped us understand what we can expect.

In the evening, a "Meet the Candidates" took place.

Many attended from the public. Won't be long now before it's time to cast your vote.

Also on Monday, Muriel Harrison and Nina

Prentice attended the funeral service of their cousin Eileen Walker Rudd, in Minden.

The Silverts clothing sale took place here on the 28th. Many of us take advantage of their visits to our home.

Our Wednesday trip took us to Mr. D's where we enjoyed coffee and donuts and visited and in the evening we enjoyed the music of "In Harmony".

Thursday, once again, our birthday tea will be hosted by St. Peter's of Maple Lake. Thank you ladies.

It was good to see the Tuck Cart today. We have missed it and hope it continues.

We have learned that Maggie Cook has passed away. Our sympathy to her family and friends.

That's the news. Another month gone. Before we sign off, Happy Birthday to Walter Stevens who will be celebrating November 7th. Talk with you next week.

Senior League

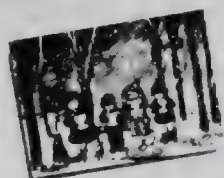
Sunshine sisters plan Christmas get-together

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The Township of Galway-Cavendish & Harvey

1997 Municipal Election



NOTICE TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GALWAY-CAVENDISH AND HARVEY "ONE PERSON - ONE VOTE"

Section 8.0 of the Minister's Amalgamation Order states that "The 1997 regular Municipal election in the former Municipalities shall be conducted as if The Amalgamations had already occurred."

This means for the purpose of the November 10, 1997 Election Galway-Cavendish and Harvey is considered to be one Township.

Section 19 (6) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 reads as follows:

An Elector's name shall appear on the Preliminary (Voters) List for a local Municipality only once.

This means that an elector, even though he/she may be the owner of property in more than one location in the Township of Galway-Cavendish and Harvey, **may only vote once.**

It does not matter that in some cases errors have been made by the Government in preparing the Preliminary List of Electors causing some names of owners of property in both the former Townships of Galway-Cavendish and Harvey to appear twice.

In a case such as this, the elector would vote in the voting place where he/she resides.

A non-resident owner may vote in one municipality or the other - **NOT BOTH.**

In summary, any elector who votes more than once is guilty of a serious offence and if no other penalty is provided is liable, on conviction, to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 (Municipal Elections Act 1996 Section 94).

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by Gord Graham (call 286-6506-- FAX 286-3460)

I hate to start off with bad news but it's worth mentioning up front.

The Minden Youth Drop-In Centre for the young people of our community has had to shut its doors due to a lack of volunteer support. The organization wishes to thank all those who supported them in the past. We hope that this closure is only temporary.

Excerpts from classified sections of newspapers:

* "Christmas tag sale. Handmade gifts for the hard-to-find person."

* "Wanted: Hair cutter. Excellent growth potential."

* "Our bikinis are exciting. They are simply the tops."

* "Wanted: man to take care of cow that does not smoke or drink."

The Fibromyalgia Syndrome and Chronic Fatigue support group will be meeting this week on Wednesday, November 5 at 7:30 pm in the home of Sybil Roodenburg. For additional information you may call Michelle at 489-1999 or if you are from out of town 1-800-959-9098.

Club 35, Halls Lake, couldn't get out to play cards last Monday due to the snow storm but they do want to remind you that cards will not be played on November 10 due to the elections. If you are around today, you are welcome to

meet them at 7:30 p.m. for euchre.

But if that is just too late and dark for you, why not slip over to St. Paul's Friendship Club, North Water Street, Minden for euchre at 1:30 p.m. today. Or you can go to both places if you love euchre that much.

Results of the contract bridge played last week in the library at Stanhope were: first Dorothy Strype; second Morris Hansen; and third Pearl Foster. Join them every Tuesday starting at 1 p.m. Partners are not required.

The seniors love to run over to the Minden Legion every Tuesday starting at 1:30 p.m. for bid euchre. At least that is what they tell me but I know for a fact that Ida Young brings goodies with her every week and it's those goodies that they appreciate more than anything. Scores from last week were first Pat Roussel, second Ellie Langpohl and third Ida Young. Hidden score by Beverly Johnson with moonshots by Milton Fletcher, Bess Cox, Esther Lee and Ellie Langpohl.

The Stanhope crowd loves bid euchre too and plays it every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Firefighters Hall. On October 22, Lottie Ruttan scored the high with 286 followed by Betty Skinner 281, Helen Lee 270, Bill Milford 269, Ida Young 265 and Carol Duncan 257. They

impressed everyone with 3 moonshots.

Euchre results from the Minden Legion for the play from October 23 were: most lone hands Carol Hill and Bill Sandford; high scores Mary Wilson and Pat Scadden; low scores Pearl Cowan and Earl Hayne; other prizes Al Cooper, Helen Skelding and Vi Edgson. They meet Thursdays at 7:15 p.m.

The Gelert Community Centre card players were nice enough to call and leave a message about the results of the euchre played there last Tuesday night. Kit and Ralph Schroter won the high scores while Don Curry and Joan Taylor took the low scores. Don also won the 50/50 draw. Truman McNeil had the most lone hands. Join the fun in Gelert next on Tuesday, November 11 starting at 7:30 p.m. or you can probably meet the same gang tomorrow in the Lochlin Community Centre. Everyone welcome.

Club 35 up in Halls Lake bid euchre results from the last 2 weeks: October 17, the high lady was Edith Burch then Marjorie Cowen and Gayle McConnell.

The high man was Don Burch (what gives here?) Alvin Cowen and Jim Skinner. Mary Pearson had the hidden score and Helen Henderson the moonshot. On October 24 the high lady was (no, not again?) Edith Burch followed by Betty Harper and Mary Pearson. The high man was Alvin Cowen then Garth Windsor and Gala Stamp (hi man eh!) Margaret Fletcher had the hidden score and 4 moonshots went to Marjorie Cowen, Betty Harper, Edith Burch and Alf Whyman. Just a reminder that bid

euchre here is now closed until the spring. Happy winter all!

HEALTH NEWS:

Cholesterol from A to Z (cont'd)

Cholesterol moves through the bloodstream inside particles called "lipoproteins". Because it's a wax, cholesterol would form large clumps or globules if it wasn't carried within these protective lipoprotein packages. Two main kinds of lipoprotein particles do the job - low density (LDL) that carry cholesterol away from the liver and into other parts of the body, and high density lipoprotein (HDL) that carry cholesterol back to the liver for elimination. LDL is sometimes called bad cholesterol while HDL is called good. Why? See next week.

For up to the minute election results on November 10, check our web site at:
www.mindentimes.on.ca

Remembering Florence

FLORENCE
MURIEL ROBINSON
1912 - 1997

Minden has lost one of its roots in the passing of Florence Muriel Robinson. She was born April 1, 1912, the eldest child of Delbert and Cora Rogers. Except for a short time in Gelert after marrying Phillip in 1946, she spent all of her 85 years in Minden.

Florence was very fond of books and literature and spent a number of her younger years as librarian. All who knew her remember her poems and letters to the newspaper.

The simple things in life are what she loved and longed for; birds, trees, water. The one great enjoyment Florence had was music and her beloved pi-

ano. She had a wide circle of family and friends and was interested in them all and what they were doing. For years she was a member of the Women's Institute and the U.C.W., as well as being a life-long member of Minden United Church.

Her sister Grace Voycey, predeceased her in 1996. She leaves to mourn, her brother Roy and children Janice and Bradley and their spouses Jack and Maggie, her grandchildren Doug, Karen, Donna and Phillip.

Following a beautiful service from her church, Florence was laid to rest in Gelert Cemetery.

The pall bearers were Doug Shaw, Paul and Glenn Cockburn, Ron Earle, Bruce King and Warren Payne.

Florence, we'll miss you.

On November 10

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OPENING BALANCE October 1, 1996	\$ 1,096.95
RECEIPTS	
Revenue Collected in 1996 campaign	1,759.22
EXPENSES	
Campaign supplies and expenses	\$ 198.26
Comforts to Veterans	354.38
Other Disbursements, donations as specified in General By-Laws	\$1,198.00 1,750.64
	-1750.64
CLOSING BALANCE September 30, 1997	\$1,105.53

Branch 441 wished to thank everyone for their support in past campaigns and in the 1997 campaign.

1997 Remembrance Day Services:

Sunday, November 9th at 9:00 a.m. Burnt River Cenotaph.
Sunday, November 9th at 11:00 a.m. - Kinmount Cenotaph
(Following services on November 9th, everyone including all churches are welcome at Branch 441 for luncheon).
Tuesday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m. Kinmount Cenotaph.
Tuesday, November 11th, at 2:00 p.m. - Gooderham Cenotaph..

Eric Stearns, Branch 441 Poppy Chairperson

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Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

October 7th & 28th and

November 18th

Wilberforce Medical Centre

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

October 23rd

PRITCHARD HOUSE

November Workshops

November 8: Handwoven Christmas cards

Judy Chapman - \$20 plus

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No Experience Necessary

November 14: Silk Painted Scarf

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November 15: Toothbrush Rag Rug

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November 22: Chocolate Making

Great Christmas ideas

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Minden

ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER

Friday, November 7

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thank you to the Minden
Hospital, ambulance drivers,
staff at Civic Hospital in Peter-
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Thank you.
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Workshop planned to take place
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To my many friends who at-
tended my 80th birthday party
at the Curling Club. To the An-
glican Church A.C.W., for their
delicious dinner, to George
Minors for his wonderful mu-
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Jack Harrington

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- 25 Year resident of this area
- Desire to represent ratepayers interests and participate in the
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VOTE

for

S. G. NESBITT

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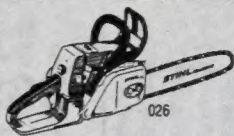
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AT REST

MASON, John Clayton

Passed away at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Sunday, October 26, 1997, in his 73rd year. Beloved son of the late William and Tressa Mason. Beloved husband of the late Pearl Mason. Loving father of Zetta May and her husband Alex Little of Minden, Helen and her husband Moses Kallian of Scarborough, Darlene and the late Royce Cowen of Lindsay, Jacqueline and her husband Bryan Davis of Bradford, John Mason and Donna Ross of Jackson's Point, Robert and his wife Nancy of Cedar Brae, Rosezetta and her husband Shane Zwingli of Beatty, Saskatchewan, Perry and his wife Shiela of Cedar Brae and predeceased by infant daughter Marlene. Dear brother of Zetta Hurst and her husband Edward and predeceased by Lenore. Loving grandfather of 21 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren and predeceased by his grandson Danny Davis. Dear companion of Martha Harding. Family and friends visited at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main Street, Minden (888-588-5777) from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Thence to the Taylor Funeral Home, Sutton for visitation on Wednesday. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Thursday, October 30, 1997 at 2 p.m. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Zephyr. Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the Minden Hospital Building Fund would be appreciated by the family.

AT REST

COOK, Margaret "Maggie"

Passed away peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Thursday, October 30, 1997, in her 85th year. Beloved wife of the late Raymond Cook. Loving mother of Bruce and wife Viola, Eileen and husband Bill, Marie and husband Howie, Nellie and husband Eric, Earl and wife Yolinda, Doris and husband Roger, Doreen and husband Neil and predeceased by Ray, Marlene and Helen. Loving grandmother of 21 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren, predeceased by one grandson. Dear sister of Carrie, Phrona, Grace, Bob, Marjorie and predeceased by brothers Bill and Victor. Family and friends visited at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main Street, Minden from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Saturday, November 1, 1997 at 11 a.m. Interment Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. Memorial Donations to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

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